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SECRET AMMUNITION DEAL IN HONG KONG

CANTON'S \$1,000,000 CONTRACT

PREPARATIONS FOR WAR MADE BY NEW GOVERNMENT.

PROPOSED NEW CABINET

A sensational rumour, which attributes the sudden drop in the Hong Kong dollar by one farthing to the political activities in Canton, is current in certain business quarters of the City.

A *China Mail* representative was informed by an authoritative source this morning that the decline of the dollar, following a seven-sixteenth drop in silver, was due to the fact that Canton was negotiating for the purchase of \$1,000,000 worth of ammunitions, and that the exchange contract had been paid in Hong Kong. Silver rose by three-sixths to-day, but the exchange remains static.

Several important moves are likely to be made by the provisional Government in Canton shortly. "General" Morris Cohen, who arrived in the Colony on board the Asama Maru on Sunday, left for Canton last night.

CANTON PREPARES FOR WAR

A *China Mail* representative learned from a reliable source this morning that the provisional military government in Canton is at present concentrating all its attention on preparations for a large-scale war with the National Government forces.

Recently the Government purchased several fighting Junker planes through Messrs. Siemens & Co., the German agents in Canton, whilst large orders have been placed for a number of Bristol day-bombing landplanes.

Arms from Germany.

It is reported that heavy shipments of arms from Germany, Japan, and other countries have taken place in the last few weeks and that at present the Kwangtung and Kwangsi combined army is sufficiently provisioned with armaments to hold out for at least six months against the forces of President Chiang Kai-shek.

It is stated that a meeting was held in a certain local hotel on Monday between leaders of the provisional Government in Canton and the foreign agent of an ammunition manufacturing company, and that a contract was signed for the purchase, in gold, of \$1,000,000 worth of shells, bombs, grenades, and several thousand rounds of ammunition.

"General" Cohen's Mission.
It is not known at present what is the exact significance of the visit of "General" Morris Cohen to Hong Kong. Mr. Cohen, who was born in the East End of London, came to China soon after the declaration of the Republic, and for many years acted as a personal bodyguard to Dr. Sun Yat-sen. On his death, "General" Cohen was taken into the service of Dr. Sun's son, Mr. Sun Fo, who until recently occupied the post of Minister of Railways at Nanking, and Mr. T. V. Soong, Dr. Sun's son-in-law. Since then "General" Cohen has held several advisory posts in Nanking.

Hurried Departure.
New light is thrown upon the departure of Mr. Sun Fo from Nanking. The former Railway Minister is said to have left the Northern capital surreptitiously and hurriedly, being watched by Chiang Kai-shek's secret agents all the way to Shanghai. In Shanghai, Mr. Sun Fo entered a hospital on the ground that he was suffering from some complaint, and, in the meantime, his passage to Hong Kong was booked by "General" Cohen in another name. Mr. Sun Fo thus eluded the agents of President

while another is the encouragement of thrift. Many of the wills concern sums as small as £20, for which, before the War, no will would have been made. "Wills arrive written on tissue paper, ruled foolscap and notepaper, while others written on pigskin, identity discs, and shirt cuffs have been admitted to probate. "It is curious how the public mis-trusts a codicil. It frequently happens that instead of adding a codicil for a bequest a fresh will is made, while the old one is not destroyed, and on many occasions the registrar has to revoke his certificate for the probate of one will when another is found."

"SWEATED" FEMALE SUBMARINE FEARED LABOUR DEN.

Most Objectionable Slum Factory.

WORKERS OVERCROWDED.

A prosecution brought against the manager of the Sam Young factory, 2, Lower Lascar Row, under the Industrial Employment of Women, Girls and Young Persons Ordinance, was dealt with by Mr. Schofield in the Central Magistracy this morning. The charge alleged that defendant allowed women and girls to work later than 9 o'clock at night.

Prosecuting, Mr. F. Meade, A.R.S.I., Inspector of Factories and Juvenile Labour, said that the women were actually working at 9.50 p.m. It was a slum factory of the most objectionable type, and was approximately what is known in Britain as a "sweaters' den." There were 70 women and girls working at sewing machines. They were packed shoulder to shoulder, and also worked on bunks suspended from the roof. The factory was not a new one, but the ownership was apparently new.

Replying to the Magistrate, the Inspector said that he had referred the premises to the Sanitary Department for further action.

Defendant said that the firm was a small establishment and they had only come down from Canton about a month ago. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$50.

MURDER SEQUEL.

A reward of \$1,000 is being offered for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who murdered Mr. Douglas G. Carstairs, at No. 2, Luna Buildings, Kimberley Road, on May 21. The "boy" and the amah, who were detained by Police until yesterday, have been released.

TOBACCO VENDORS CHARGED

Alleged False Trade Marks.

MANILA PLAINTIFF.

Mr. D. E. Blake, on behalf of the "Planters of Manila," brought an action in the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The defendants are the Great Eastern Tobacco Co., of Shanghai Street, who are alleged to have applied a false trade description to cigars in their possession. They are also alleged to have had the cigars in their possession for the purpose of sale, trade or manufacture, and having a false trade description applied to the goods.

Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for defendant. The case was adjourned sine die.

REASON FOR LOWER PRICE OF PETROL.

Affected by Soviet's Five Year Plan.

SILVER ALSO BLAMED.

London, Yesterday.
The main cause in the fall of oil prices, according to the report of the Royal Dutch Company for 1930, is not over-production but under consumption, (which affects all commodities), owing, firstly, to the practical disappearance from the market of 160,000,000 Russian consumers, who are "forced drastically to lower the standard of living in order to dump commodities in foreign markets and so acquire funds for the Soviet's expensive five-year plan," and, secondly, owing to the fall in the value of silver.—*Reuter.*

FAIR.

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states: The anti-cyclone is now central between Kobe and the Bonins.

A depression is still central near Tourane. A depression is shown to the North of Korea.

Forecast:—E. or variable winds; fresh to moderate; fair. Rainfall.

Rainfall for 24 hours, ended at 10 a.m. to-day nil. Total since January 1—22.15 inches against an average of 21.38 inches—excess 0.77 inch.

Temperature.
The temperature at certain special centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong	75
Macao	76
Pratas Island	79
Poohow	70
Amoy	78
Manila	79
Chafu	70
Shanghai	68

BOOK SELLERS' THIRD CONVICTION.

Photographic Copies of Home Books.

"PIRACY" PROSECUTION.

Macmillan & Co., Ltd., publishers in London, were complainants in an action against the Tai Shing Book Company, 79, Hollywood Road, for alleged sale or exhibition for sale of certain books on which false trade descriptions had been applied, contrary to the Merchandise Marks Ordinance, section 3 of Ordinance 4 of 1890. The case was heard by Mr. W. Schofield.

Appearing for the complainants, Mr. F. H. Kwok said that the case was an action by Macmillan and Company against the Tai Shing Book Company for selling certain infringements of certain copyright books, which constituted arithmetic, geometry, algebra, and English. The books were used by local schools, and were also used for the Junior and Senior Local Examinations of the Hong Kong University.

He would like to let other book-sellers know of the prosecution in view of the fact that they were also vending pirated copies. Mr. Kwok added that he understood from the publishers that the books sold here were good photographic copies of the genuine books.

For the defendant firm, Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios tendered a plea of guilty to a technical offence. He said that the firm was twice convicted for a similar offence—once about five years ago, and again about two years ago. A former manager, Choi Ping-yat, was asked to resign about a year and a half ago. When his client took over the management of the firm, he was not aware of the presence of the books.

Mr. Remedios stated that he would not question the fact that the books had been sold, but submitted that his client was innocent.

The Magistrate registered a conviction, ordered the return of the confiscated books to the complainants, and ordered costs of \$50 to be paid by the defendant firm.

ROYAL BIRTHDAY.

QUEEN MARY CELEBRATES HER 64th YEAR.

SHIPS DRESSED IN PORT.

Rugby, Yesterday.
Queen Mary to-day celebrated her 64th birthday at Sandringham, Norfolk, where she received presents from members of the Royal Family, including her grandchildren, and many messages of greeting from all parts of the world.

The Royal Salute of 21 guns was fired at Hyde Park, flags were flown on all public buildings, and all warships in Home ports were dressed over all.

The Court returns to Buckingham Palace to-morrow.—*British Wireless Service.*

POLITICIAN DEAD.

POLLED 20,000 VOTES IN LAST ELECTION.

KEEN TRADE UNIONIST.

Rugby, Yesterday.
Mr. Thomas Lowth, the well-known Labour Member of Parliament and Railwaymen's Union Official, died to-day, aged 73.

This will necessitate a by-election in the Ardwick Division of Manchester, where at the last election Mr. Lowth polled 20,000 votes against 3,000 polled by the Conservative woman candidate.—*British Wireless Service.*

FLYING TOUR.

HOLIDAY SPENT IN FLIGHT TO NICE.

Rugby, Yesterday.
Eight members of Heston Air Club, London, who are spending the Whitsuntide holiday in a flying tour in their private machines, arrived safely at Nice last night.—*British Wireless Service.*

HAWKERS ON A STEAMER.

Usual "Ignorance" of Local Law!

AND OTHER EXCUSES.

Three Chinese were to-day charged before Comdr. J. B. Newill, in the Marine Court, by Lance-Sergeant Fraser, of the Water Police, with hawking fruits, aerated waters, bean curd, cooked food and cigarettes on board the J.C.J.L. s.s. Tjibadak yesterday morning, without the permission of the master or an officer of the ship.

In pleading "guilty," the first accused said that he did not know the regulations of Hong Kong. He only started hawking yesterday and was unfortunate to be caught.

The Magistrate said that it was the accused's duty to find out the laws of the Colony, and imposed a fine of \$10.

"Only a Foki."

The second accused also admitted the charge. He said, however, that he was only a foki of the licensed hawkers. His master had a permit, but just before the arrival of the Police he had gone to another ship, leaving him (accused) in charge on board the Tjibadak. He did not make any sale during his master's absence but merely looked after the property.

The Magistrate convicted and imposed a fine of \$10.

The third accused pleaded "not guilty."

In the witness box Sergeant Fraser said that about 8 a.m. yesterday he went on board the s.s. Tjibadak which had just arrived in port. He saw the accused on the after deck of the ship. He had some bean curd and cooked food and was mixing with the Chinese steerage passengers with a box of cigarettes in his possession. Accused was unable to produce a permit to be on board and was arrested.

Not His Stuff!

Accused said that the stuff referred to by the Sergeant was not his. The hawkers to whom it belonged had gone forward to get water just before the Sergeant came on board. He (accused) was merely one of the hawkers' customers.

Asked by the Magistrate what he was doing on board, accused said that he was there as a baggage cooler.

Magistrate: Who was in charge during the hawkers' absence?—No one. I was eating beside it.

The Sergeant admitted to the Magistrate that he did not see the accused make a sale.

Remarking that there might possibly have been some confusion, his Worship discharged the accused.

SCHNEIDER TROPHY

PRACTICE FLIGHTS BY HIGH SPEED CREW.

Rugby, Yesterday.
Bank holiday crowds in the Isle of Wight and resorts on the approaches to Southampton and Portsmouth witnessed practice flights by some members of the high speed crew now in training at Calshot for the Schneider Trophy race.

Squadron Leader Orlibar flew one of the Gloster Napier Six machines, fitted for practice. Although its speed was limited to substantially below the record in the last race, this machine when full out can do about 300 miles an hour.—*British Wireless Service.*

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

THE FEDERAL STRUCTURE COMMITTEE.

Rugby, Yesterday.
Views are still being exchanged between the Secretary for India, Mr. Wedgwood Benn, and the Viceroy, Lord Willingdon, as to the date on which the Federal Structure Committee of the Indian Round Table Conference should resume its sittings.

There are indications that the date originally suggested, June 29, is inconvenient to many of the delegates. On that account some postponement may be necessary.—*British Wireless Service.*

TROOPS DESPATCHED TO BURMA.

Outrages on Indians and Chinese.

SITUATION CALMER.

Rugby, Yesterday.
The Burma situation report issued by India Office refers to minor encounters between Government Forces and bodies of rebels which occurred last week in Tharawaddy, Henzada, and Thayetmyo Districts. None occurred in the Prome District, where the rebels are said to have failed to obtain adherents and to be now reduced to about 40, who are hiding near the Thayetmyo border.

Immediate action prevented outbreaks in several districts of Upper and Lower Burma from which reports that tattooing was taking place had been received. The communal situation is reported to be under control, although occasional attacks on Indians and Chinese occurred in several districts.

A Rangoon telegram, referring to the despatch of troops to-day from India to Burma, says that an official statement was issued explaining that these were coming to put down the rebellion and prevent outrages against Indians and generally to restore law and order.

The troops will be stationed at the Headquarters of all districts where the rebellion continues with detachments at out stations and other places, mainly in the dry zone, whilst extra Military Police will be maintained in the rebel areas.—*British Wireless Service.*

Earlier Cable.

Secunderabad, Yesterday.
The 12th Infantry Brigade and the 3/16th Punjab are leaving for Burma to-night.

Other troops are also waiting for orders to leave, but the military authorities are reticent regarding the situation.

The 1/17th Dogra Regiment is already stationed in Burma. One Indian infantry regiment is proceeding there this week, two more Indian regiments from Secunderabad have been ordered to leave later, and the 2nd Bn. Manchester Regiment have been warned that they may be wanted for Burma.

Further troop movements will depend on the situation and the accommodation available.—*Reuter.*

ON HOLIDAY.

HOW HOME FOLK SPENT WHITSUNTIDE.

RECORD CROWDS.

Rugby, Yesterday.
Brilliant sunshine in southern England favoured holiday-makers yesterday, and the resorts at the seaside and in the country were crowded.

The beauty spots in the neighbourhood of London have probably never proved so popular. It is estimated that 350,000 people visited Hampton Court during the day. Nearly 8,000 passed through the gates of the London "Zoo," and about the same number attended the Crystal Palace.

Immense crowds were present at the cricket matches and other sports meetings, and the Thames riverside resorts attracted a record number of visitors.

Congestion of traffic was, however, most acute on the roads leading to the new country zoo at Whipsnade, about thirty miles from London. Twenty-eight thousand people paid for admission, but an immense number were unable to reach the new park, as the omnibus services could not accommodate a large proportion of the people who arrived by train at the stations within a few miles of Whipsnade, and it became necessary to cancel the zoo tickets by later trains. Owing to congestion on the roads to the zoo, occupants of a large majority of private cars were also forced to abandon the journey, and it was late at night before the roads were cleared of picnic traffic.—*British Wireless Service.*

CENSORED NEWS.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
The censorship imposed by Nanking applies also to radiograms and land lines and includes outgoing and incoming news.—*Reuter.*

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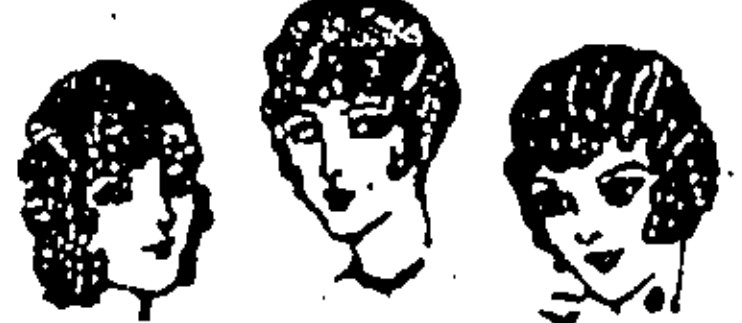
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Entries CLOSE at 12 o'clock Noon on THURSDAY, 28th May, 1931.

Hong Kong, 23rd May, 1931.

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By Order of the Stewards,
C. B. BROWN,
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Hong Kong, 14th May, 1931.

**THE HONG KONG JOCKEY
CLUB.**

NOTICE.

THE HALF YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of VOTING MEMBERS will be held at the Club House, Happy Valley, on WEDNESDAY, 27th May, 1931, at 5.15 p.m.

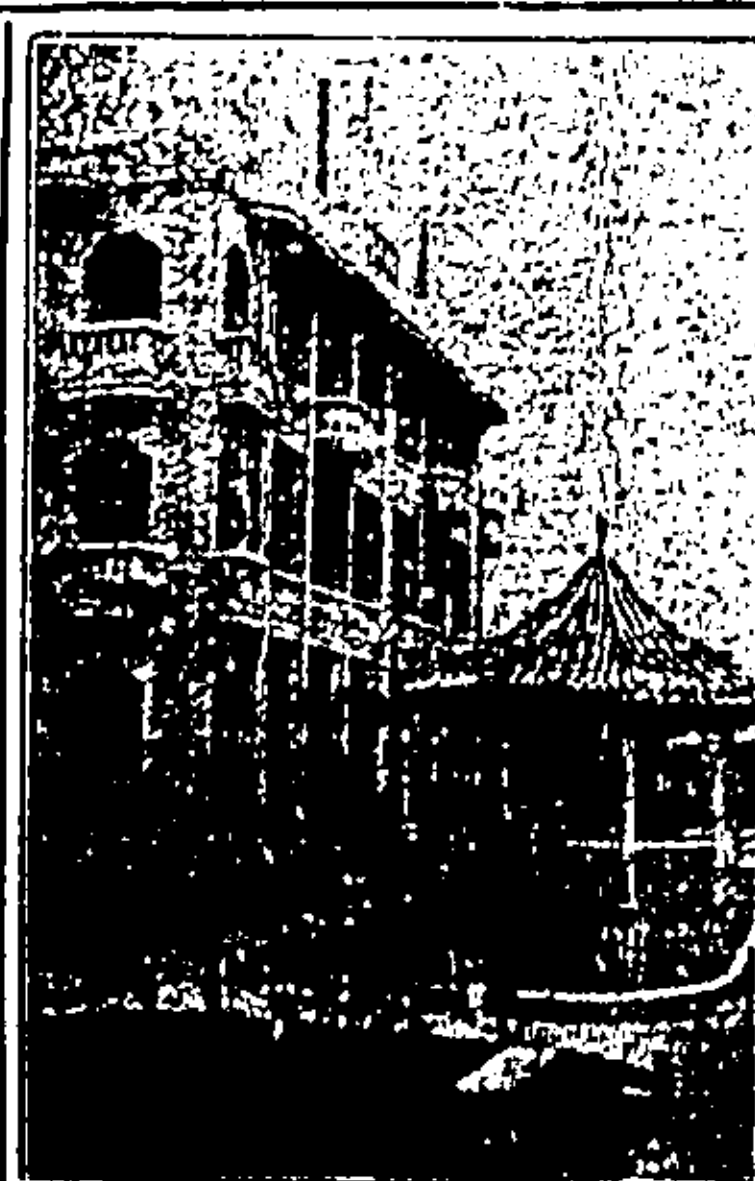
All members are cordially invited to attend and participate in any discussion which may ensue.

AND NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Voting Members of the Hong Kong Jockey Club will be held at the Club House on the 27th day of May, 1931, immediately after the half-yearly meeting of the Voting Members when the subjoined resolution will be proposed:

That Article 6 of the Articles of Association of the Club be altered by deleting therefrom the words "Ordinary Members may be unlimited in number" and substituting therefor the words "The number of Ordinary Members shall be one thousand two hundred or such greater number as the Voting Members shall from time to time determine."

AND NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that a Further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Voting Members of the Club will be held at the same place on WEDNESDAY, the Seventeenth Day of June, 1931, at a quarter past five o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

By Order of the Stewards,
C. B. BROWN,
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Hong Kong, 14th May, 1931.



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 29th MAY, 1931, at 11 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1930, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 11th MAY to 29th MAY, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1931.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 11th MAY to 29th MAY, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1931.

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**What the Dry Agents
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AERIAL SMUGGLING.

A shower of whisky from the sky! The little crowd of fishermen who had cut a hole through the ice on Lake Oskos, in Minnesota, looked up startled, almost convinced that the age of miracles was not past.

They saw two planes overhead, the upper machine with a long hose dangling from it, and the other swinging about trying to restore the broken connection. Evidently a bootlegging ring had taken its cue from the record-refuelling flights.

To fool the police, says Mr. Mingsos in World's Work, "the local plane was never sent out at night nor up for more than an hour or two; but with a 100 gallon tank in its cabin, it could fly out over sparsely settled country to meet another machine, which transferred the liquor in mid air."

An Aerial Smuggler's Luck. Bootleggers and smugglers are taking to the air more and more. Sometimes it works. Sometimes their air-mindedness brings only grief.

One aerial bootlegger was flying down from Canada into New England with a full load of liquor in his cockpit. But before he reached his destination trouble developed. A clogged petrol feed pipe forced him down.

It was night. He was ignorant of the terrain, and so "he released a parachute flare which lighted a square mile of surface and showed him where to land safely."

But he had not yet shaken off bad luck. The flare set fire to "burned up the finest haystack in New England." At least the owner said it was the finest.

Out of a Hole. Here was a poser. The flames had attracted the neighbours, who would back up the farmer in any direct action. The pilot said he was carrying mail and offered a cheque. It was refused. Finally he took the farmer aside:

"I owe you about six hundred dollars for that hay; but you haven't a Chinaman's chance to collect unless you accept my proposition. I'm not flying mail but liquor. When the crowd leaves I'll unload enough to cover your loss. Squelch, and the Government will get the booze and the ship. I'll go to jail, and you—well, you can raise more hay. What say?"

The farmer saw the point. Next morning the bootlegger repaired his machine and flew away.

Min for the Job. This aerial bootlegger was lucky, after all. Sometimes the buccaners of the air are that way. Sometimes they are not, as Mr. Mingsos reveals in his account of the use of planes for smuggling liquor, dogs, and aliens into the United States from Canada, Mexico, and points in the West Indies.

The importer of aliens or narcotics may have to scout around longer to find a pilot for his work, but he can get him if he will pay enough; and such pilots find plenty of jobs flying between California and Mexico. In the Los Angeles district alone the agents have seized twelve planes in as many months, all involved in smuggling.

Where Supplies Come From. Canada supplies the larger quantities of Scotch whisky flown into the U.S.A. During thirty days of feverish activity along the Detroit River, when extra Government forces were trying to stem the tide of contraband, the Walker-ville airport, near Windsor, Ontario, cleared sixty-two American planes, their cargoes aggregating 983 cases of whisky. The pilots, who think it is a great game, refer to it as "Hop-Scotch."

On another occasion enforcement agents in a border city received a tip that a fleet of trucks would meet a number of planes coming into a small field at midnight.

The whole force mobilized and went out to the airport. They found a sedan without lights which promptly sped up and departed. That seemed to confirm the tip of secret doings. They waited.

A Pretty Tale. Shortly after twelve they heard a propeller, and soon a plane circled the field, its landing lights blinking on and off, apparently as a signal.

The agents replied with their headlights. The machine landed. It held nothing except the pilot. He said that his best girl had promised to meet him there for a flying elopement. It was a pretty story, and he went free.

Next day the agents learned that three big planes had landed at another airport that night and transferred their cargoes to waiting trucks. The officers had been sidetracked to give the bootleggers a clear field.

"I was hired to fly for a man named Smith. He promised to meet me here," said a pilot caught

in the Northwest with two black bags full of morphine and heroin. "Mr. Smith sent me the baggage checks, asking me to get these bags out of the railroad station at Spokane, fly them here, and pick him up. I thought they held clothing, or that he was a travelling man."

The pilot got away with it, though Mr. Smith never appeared to claim his baggage.

Government Officials Puzzled. Government officials admit that "they are puzzled as to just what to do about this illicit traffic."

They have considered various plans, but none appear practicable. And with improved planes, reduced costs, better surface facilities, extension of the airways to include all towns, and safer flying conditions generally, aerial smuggling promises to grow rapidly.

At the request of the American Government the Canadian Parliament recently passed a law against clearing ships from the Dominion when they carry cargoes of liquor consigned to the United States; and that also applies to aeroplanes. It has created new obstacles for the surface craft, and is bringing back the rum-runners along the coasts and on the Great Lakes. These liquor ships ply between ports in the British possessions, but they pause off our arid shores and transfer their cargoes to small craft as in the early days of Prohibition, when they were safe beyond the three-mile limit.

The Price of Friendship. Some kinds of smuggling can be curbed, possibly. Other Governments may be persuaded that if they desire our friendship, they must stop the illegal manufacture and exportation of narcotics, which they now permit, or wink at, providing the tax is paid. With that supply cut off there will be no hope to smuggle, because illegitimate manufacturers and importers are so restricted by laws and supervision that dope can not leak out through these channels.

The rise of the livestock industry to a parity with that of wheat and flour in Western Canada is being commented upon by the Winnipeg Press. It is pointed out that one-fourth of Canada's population is supplied by the meat industry in Winnipeg which ships beef, pork, veal, lamb and mutton to every corner of the Dominion. Figures compiled recently reveal that one billion and a half pounds of meat were consumed in Canada in 1930. Of this total approximately half a billion pounds was received and shipped from the stockyards of Winnipeg. A total of 185,692 cattle, 42,777 calves, 398,605 hogs and 87,450 sheep and lambs entered Winnipeg stockyards in 1930 from the grazing lands of the prairie. A turnover in excess of \$20,000,000 represented the business of two of the city's largest packing plants.



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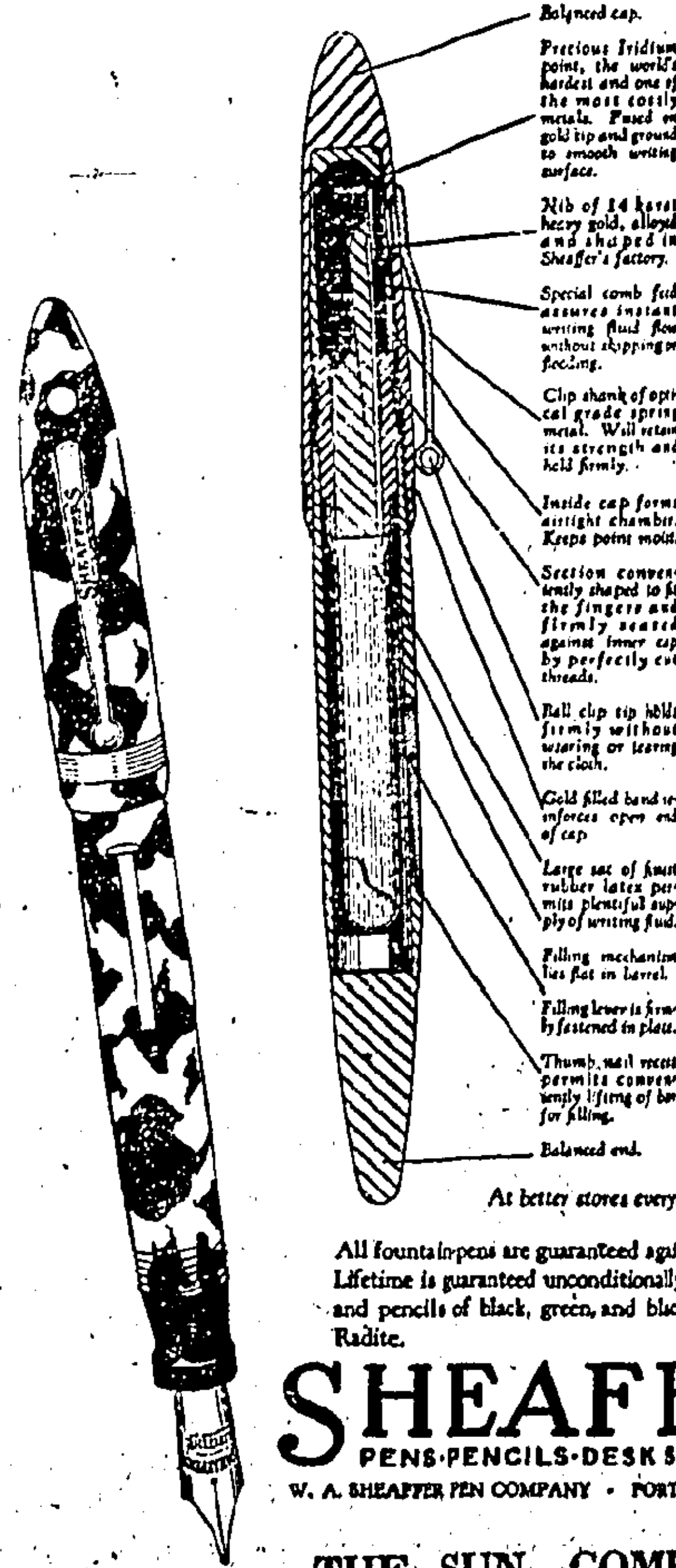
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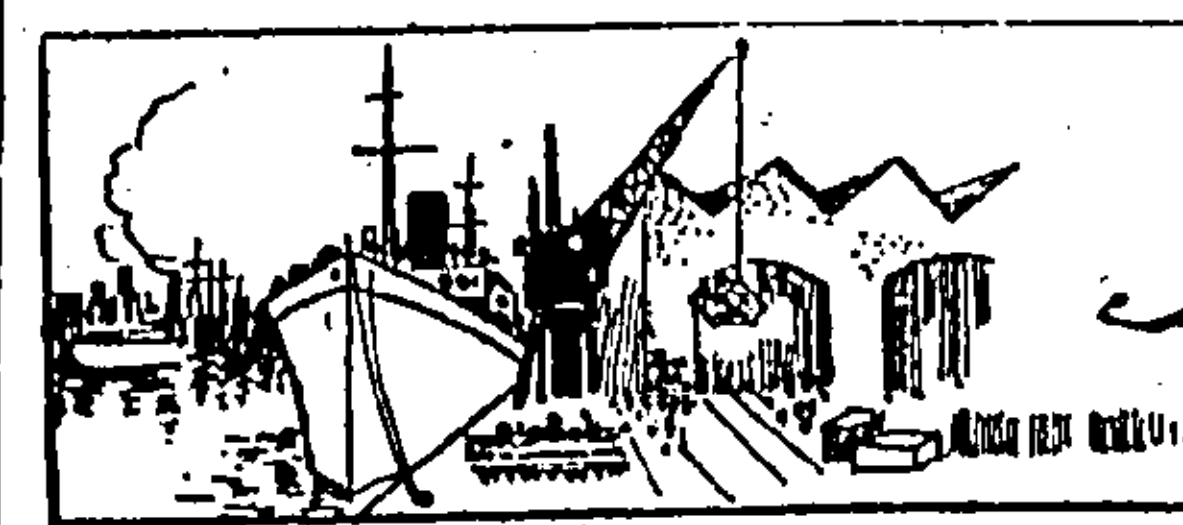
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VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER via Japan Ports.	Atlas Maru	Sun., 14th June
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The Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering Co., Ltd., launched from their yard at Govan, the steel paddle steamer Jeanie Deans, built to the order of the London and North Eastern Railway Company, for their service in the Firth of Clyde. The naming and the launching ceremony was performed by Miss Rhoda Forbes Whitelaw, daughter of Mr. Wm. Whitelaw, chairman of the railway company. The vessel will be made ready for taking her place at the end of this month.

Miss Whitelaw was presented with a diamond and platinum wristlet watch by Sir Alex. M. Kennedy, chairman and managing director of the Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering Company, who presided over the subsequent proceedings.

In the course of his speech Sir A. Kennedy said: "Besides the finishing of Jeanie Deans and the St. Seirid, which we launched at the beginning of last month, we have on hand two torpedo-boat destroyers. In common with every other shipbuilding establishment in the country, we are sadly affected by the present deplorable condition of the industry. Unfortunately, too, there is little immediate prospect of any material improvement, for shipping conditions are exceedingly bad. Our industry has passed through a year which is, I think, unparalleled in our experience—a year in which a new order has been a very rare occurrence. During the last six months, indeed, there has been less than a quarter of a million tons of new shipping ordered.

No Eclipse of Industry.

"This position is, of course, a direct reflection of the complete collapse that has overtaken world trading. Shipbuilding is one of the industries of the country which has to bear the full blast of world depression; at present three-quarters of the shipbuilding berths are unoccupied, and I do not think it is possible yet for us to discern any signs of improvement. If one were to believe the stories which are disseminated by critical writers—not all of them American or French—that Great Britain industrially is suffering a complete eclipse, one would indeed give up hope of there being improvement, but the idea of eclipsed enterprise or eclipsed industry in Britain is, I believe, fundamentally wrong, and we in the west of Scotland are not likely to succumb to any feeling of fatalism. At no time has our industry given so much individual and col-

lective thought as it is giving now to our competitive capacity, and I think it is true to say that all that the industry can do to put its own house in order will be done.

"We are subjected, of course, to competition from foreign countries with lower standards of living, but we are not without hope that by putting our backs into our work we will be able to contribute our share to the expansion and consolidation of British trade.

"So far as works efficiency is concerned, the wisest trader does not employ capital on new enterprise at the top of a boom, but at the point where depression is changing into improvement in demand. As soon, therefore, as British shipowners, who after all are the most experienced shipowners in the world, feel that improvement is taking place, our industry will begin to move slowly upwards. The point of time for such imaginative anticipation may not yet have arrived, but a fall in the prices of primary commodities does look like coming to an end, and one hopes that the turn of the tide is not too far distant.

"At the same time it would be wrong for us to minimise the gravity of our industrial position in Britain, and the need for every class in the community to concentrate thought upon ways and means by which Britain can improve her position. We have gone on spending and theorising, always hoping that the tide would turn; we have hardly realised that our position was actually worsening all the while. It is all the more necessary, therefore, for us to face up to the facts that we have reached a critical stage; once our people grip that there can be no doubt of our national courage and determination.

"Let any industry be ever so efficient we cannot really regain ultimate prosperity without going through a period of still further sacrifice. The only alternative to a competitive standing in world markets is extinction, and what we need is a national policy which will enlist public co-operation and harness all our will power to the task of finding our feet in the world markets. National policy must be concentrated not only upon revitalisation of industrial enterprise, but upon the restoration and effective guidance of public confidence. Once public confidence is re-created we shall be at the beginning of the way to recovery, for we shall be ready to take our fair share in world improvement.

"In re-creating that public confidence, old theories will need to be adjusted to the facts of to-day's situation, and we will need to return to the truly British path of hard individual work and a fair trading chance for our own people. Given these I believe we in the west of Scotland can build up our basic industries again on a permanently sound foundation."

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Ben Line s.s. Benlomond from Middlesbrough, London, Straits and Manila left Manila for this port on May 26 afternoon, is due to arrive here on May 29 morning.

RETIREMENT OF MR. G. F. SHEE.

21 Years' Service for the Lifeboat.

Mr. George F. Shee, secretary of the Royal National Life-boat Institution, will retire at the end of September, when he will have completed 21 years of service. He has already passed the retiring age, and, though invited by the committee of management to continue, has for reasons of health felt obliged to decline.

Mr. Shee was appointed secretary to the institution in October, 1910, being at that time secretary of the National Service League, of which he had been secretary and organiser since its foundation in 1902. He came to the Lifeboat Institution at a very difficult time. The Lifeboat Saturday Fund, which for nearly 20 years had collected funds for the institution, was dissolved at the end of 1910, and the first duty of the new secretary was gradually to absorb into the institution the branches and voluntary workers of the fund, and with their help and the help of the existing branches of the institution itself, to raise the whole of the funds needed to maintain the service.

The 21 years of Mr. Shee's secretaryship have seen greater developments than any previous period of the institution's history. During that time half the institution's fleet has been converted to motor power. In 1910 there were nine motor lifeboats on the coast. There are now 95 in a fleet of 191 lifeboats, and the motor lifeboats of to-day are as great an advance on the motor lifeboats of 21 years ago as these boats were on pulling and sailing lifeboats.

The increasing use of motor power has of necessity greatly increased the cost of the service, and the growth of the financial side of the institution's work has kept pace with the development of the fleet. During the 21 years of Mr. Shee's secretaryship the number of the institution's branches has increased from under 400 to over 1,100, and its income, which was under £100,000 in 1910, has been more than trebled.

Having been rejected for military service on medical grounds, Mr. Shee remained in charge of the lifeboat service during the War. In spite of its depleted staff and crews, the service carried on with conspicuous success, and over 5,300 lives were rescued. Mr. Shee also served during the War as honorary secretary of the Central Committee for National Patriotic Associations and of the Royal Horticultural Society War Relief Fund.

WARSHIPS IN PORT

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—
Bruce—South wall.
Hermes—No. 1 buoy.
Odin—In dock.
Otus—In dock.
Seamew—In dock.
Sirdar—West wall dock.
Sterling—West wall dock.
Tamar—Basin.
Thracian—In dock.
Foreign Man-of-War.
Mindanao—American gunboat.

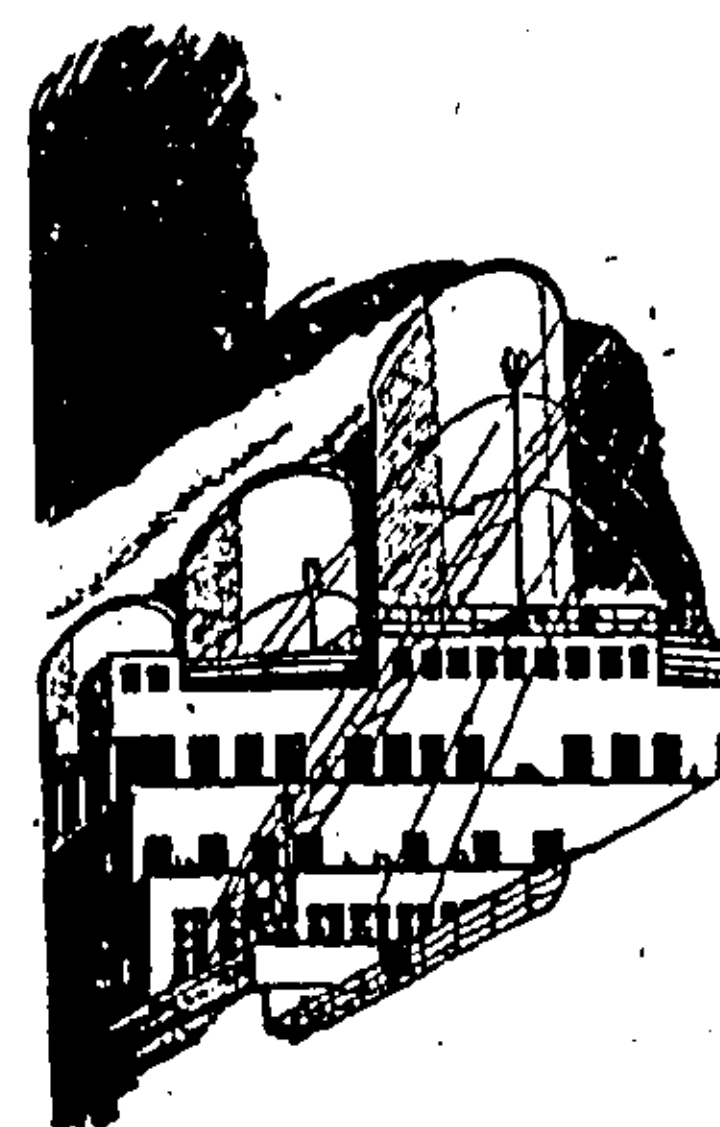
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INWARD MAILS.

Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., May 9) and Europe via Siberia (London, May 9)	WEDNESDAY, MAY 27.
Japan	THURSDAY, MAY 28.
Shanghai	FRIDAY, MAY 29.
Amoy	Burdwan
Japan, Shanghai & Europe via Siberia (London, May 11)	Tilawa
London (Parcels, London, April 23) and Straits	Haruna Maru
Japan and Shanghai	Patroclus
Manila	Haruna Maru
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, May 1)	President Taft
Europe via Negapatam (Papers only, London, April 30)	President Fillmore
Yuen Sang	MONDAY, JUNE 1.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, May 8)	President Johnson
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3.	
Australia and Manila	St. Albans
FRIDAY, JUNE 5.	
Japan and Shanghai	Kashmir

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Empress of Asia	July 31	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 8	—	Aug. 17
Empress of Canada	Aug. 15	Aug. 18	Aug. 20	Aug. 22	—	Aug. 30
Empress of Russia	Aug. 28	Aug. 31	Sept. 3	Sept. 5	—	Sept. 14
Empress of Japan	Sept. 12	Sept. 15	Sept. 17	Sept. 19	—	Sept. 27
Empress of Asia	Sept. 25	Sept. 28	Oct. 1	Oct. 3	—	Oct. 12
Empress of Canada	Oct. 10	Oct. 13	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	—	Oct. 25
Empress of Russia	Oct. 23	Oct. 26	Oct. 29	Oct. 31	—	Nov. 9
Empress of Japan	Nov. 7	Nov. 10	Nov. 12	Nov. 14	—	Nov. 22
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THURSDAY, MAY 28.		
Saigon	Pong Tong	8.30 a.m.
Japan and *Victoria, B.C.	Protestant	10.30 a.m.
(Due Victoria, B.C., June 23.)		
Swatow	Hydrangea	3 p.m.
Manila	Empress of Asia	3.30 p.m.
Foochow	Yingchow	3.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, MAY 29.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ching	1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles		

Haruna Maru (Due Marseilles, June 28.)	
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Parcels .. May 29, 5 p.m.	
Registration .. May 30, 9.45 a.m.	
Letters .. 10.30 a.m.	

SATURDAY, MAY 30.

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and *Europe via Victoria, B.C.	President Taft (Due Victoria, B.C., June 16 and *Europe via Siberia.)
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Straits and Calcutta	Thawa
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Amoy	Yuen Sang
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SUNDAY, MAY 31.	
Bangkok via Swatow	Kaying
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru
MONDAY, JUNE 1.	
Manila	Taiyo Maru
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FRIDAY, JUNE 5.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Kashmir (Due Marseilles, July 5.)
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*KASHMIR	9,000	1st Aug.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
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RAWALPINDI	17,000	11th July	
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Tong Ha.

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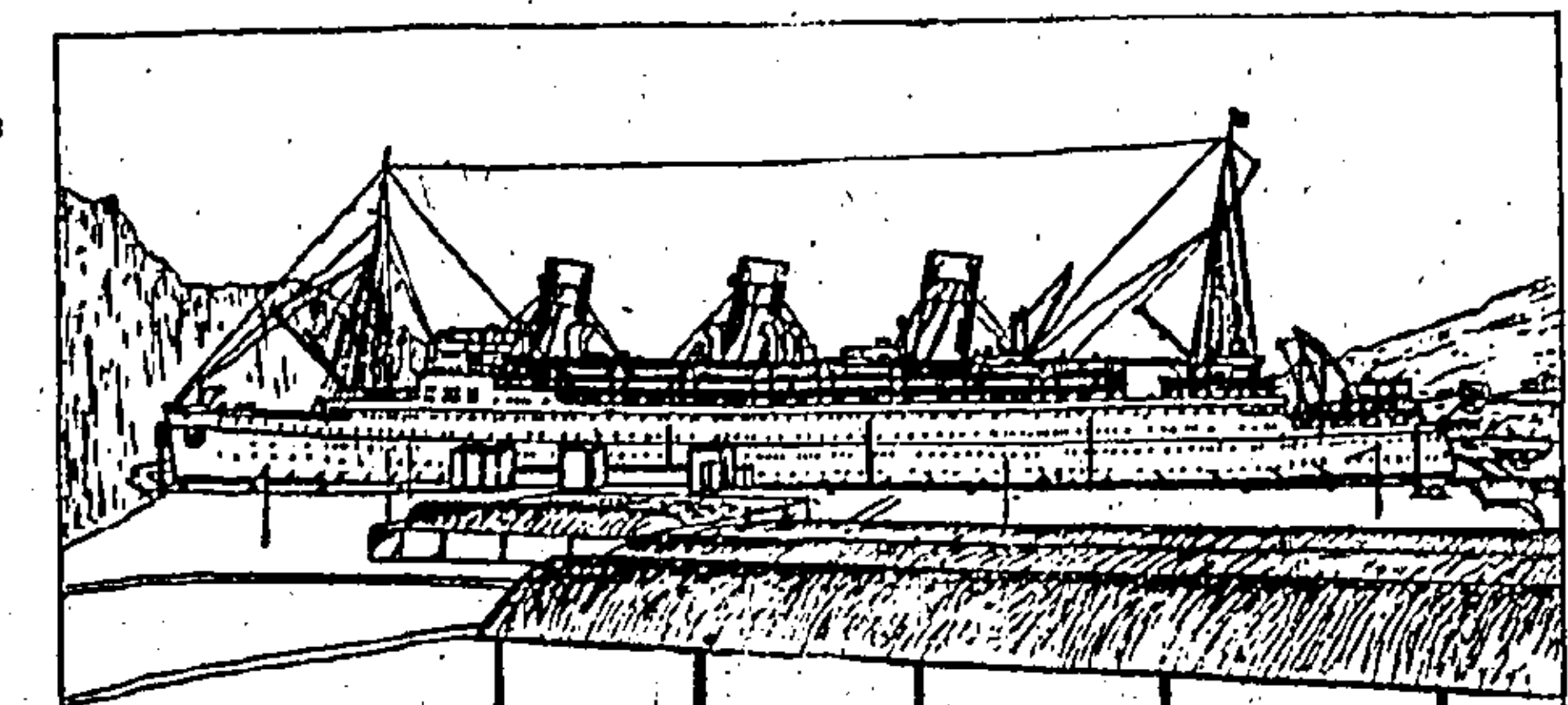
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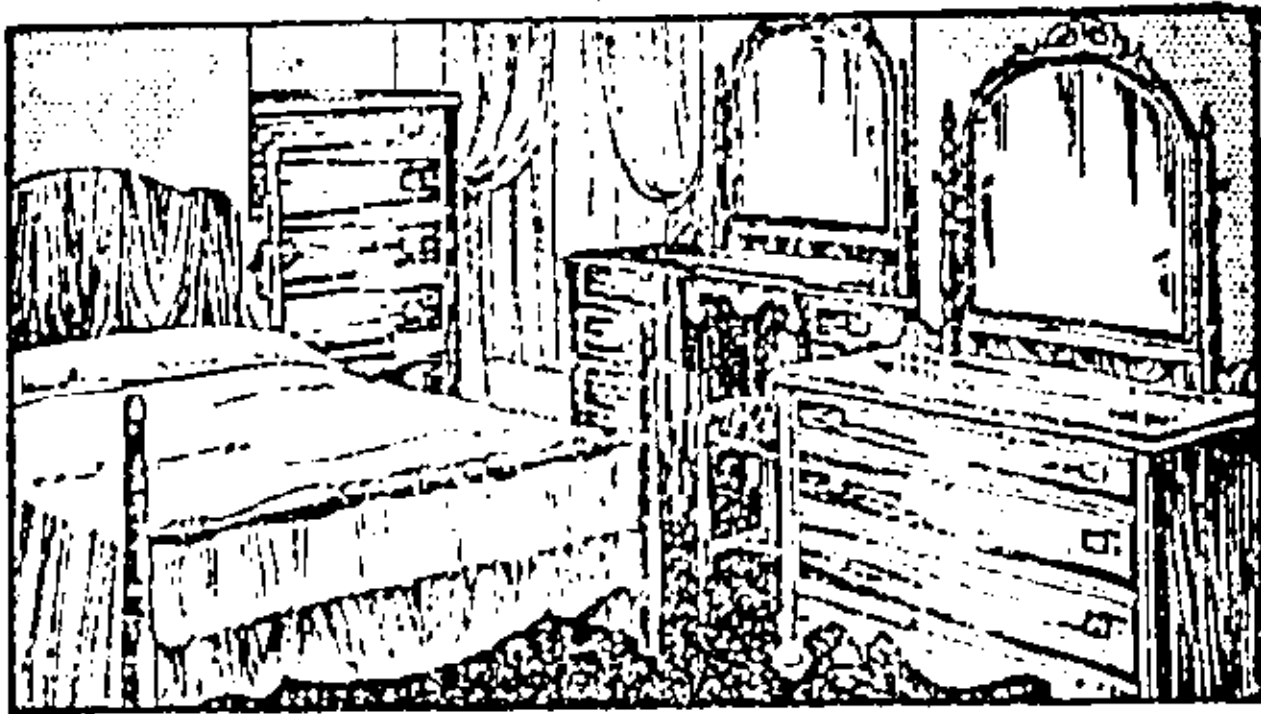
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Children and Cinemas.

It has been suggested before in this column that the cinemas do not cater sufficiently for children. That is not entirely the fault of cinema proprietors, but of film renters who appear to unload what they please on cinema managements and cinema patrons. If a move in the direction of better catering for children is to be made it must come from cinema patrons, particularly parents and teachers. All that cinema managements can do at the moment is to advertise a good picture for children when they get one, whether it be a short reel or a feature film like "Tom Sawyer." Short pictures eminently suitable for children are often screened, but often in support of a long film entirely unsuitable for children under sixteen years of age.

Mail week papers from Home devoted much space to a new battle that is raging in regard to cinemas. Liverpool cinema owners have decided to ask the Recorder to give full reasons for supporting local Magistrates in their decision to exclude children of 16 and under from performances of "A" certificate films. Manchester, on the other hand, has agreed to allow no fewer than 137 "adults only" ("A" certificate) films to be regarded as "Universal" films. Thus, films banned to children in Liverpool are available to children in Manchester—an impossible situation! Pending action by the Recorder of Liverpool, which may take three or four months, most cinemas in that city are admitting children of 16 and under to

see "A" class films when the children are accompanied by parents or guardians.

It is pertinently pointed out by a film critic that in discussions of this nature, fundamental facts are apt to be overlooked.

The fundamental fact, in this case, is that the Board of Film Censors' "A" certificate is no more than a pious indication from the Board to the cinema-owner that in the opinion of the censors a part, or parts, of the film, are not suitable for children unaccompanied by parents or guardians. The censors' rulings have no legal or statutory value, and local Councils, in the critics' opinion, are out of order in regarding them as cast-iron rulings, or in using them as the basis of the actual conditions of a licence. The censor may think that the film "Tell England!" for example, contains scenes of slaughter unsuitable for children to see, but that would not justify Liverpool, which provided a large portion of the Gallipoli force, in excluding from "Tell England!" the school boys who wished to see how and where their fathers fought in the war. It cannot be too strongly emphasised that the "A" certificate represents a judicious and not a judicial opinion, and that parents are at least as well qualified as the censor, the cinema-owner, or the local Council, to decide what they shall take their children to see.

If such a system as "A" certificates obtained in this Colony it might be a moot point whether Oriental parents could claim to be as well qualified as the censor to decide what their children should see. Perhaps the merest hint that a certain film had better not be shown to children under 16 would be sufficient to pack the cinema with the pupils of all the schools in the Colony! A censor's ruling here would be futile without any legal value.

News in Brief.

Tong Wai-keung, a shop keeper at 48 Leichikok Road, has reported to the Police that on May 26 he handed \$630 over to his manager to purchase leather, and alleges that the latter did not do so.

The Hon. Dr. S. W. T'ao presided over the Rotarians' weekly dinner yesterday, when Mr. C. Champkin had some interesting and witty things to say on the question of money theories. He commenced by discussing "that notable fallacy, the quantity-theory of money" which was based on the well-known maxim that nothing succeeds like excess. It was claimed that when money was plentiful, commodity prices would rise, and vice versa. As a matter of fact, nothing of the kind actually happened.

As the result of a fight on the Kowloon Wharf, this morning, a Chinese named Lam Shiu, age 24, was admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital suffering from internal injuries, and is reported to be in a rather serious condition.

For stealing a wooden box containing clothing, Leung Yuk was at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning sentenced to two months' imprisonment. He stole the box which was the property of So Shun of So Shun Yung, from 48, Pakhoi Street.

Fallacy between the first and second floors of a house under construction in Lockhart Road yesterday, Tam Cheung-chuen (47), a plasterer, fractured his right thigh, and was removed to the Government Civil Hospital. He was engaged in plastering the verandah when the accident happened.

A SPIRIT MESSAGE.

SON WHO HEARD DEAD FATHER'S VOICE.

Major C. C. Colley, speaking at a "survival-after-death" meeting in London told a remarkable story of how he was given the news in a spirit message of the death of his father, Archdeacon Colley. "My father recognised," he said, "that he might possibly get his brain into tune, as it were, with my brain, which might be likened to a small crystal set. He did that when I was very young, and for years we had no need of a telegram to each other and hardly ever wrote letters. Always we had a full understanding, however far we were apart."

"I was at Aldershot in 1912. I was preparing to mount my horse, when I heard his voice. He said, 'My boy, I am dead.'"

"I had such confidence in that message that I immediately asked my commanding officer for leave, thereby risking my career in the Army. I got into the train to go home, opened a paper and saw the headline, 'Archdeacon Colley collapses and dies at Church Congress at Middlesborough.'"

GANDHI'S CLOTH POLICY.

Matter For The Next Conference.

London, April 27.
In the House of Commons Captain Hacking asked whether Mr. Gandhi's policy included the complete prohibition of foreign cloth and whether in view of the Irwin-Gandhi agreement Mr. Benn would take further steps to safeguard the interests of the cotton industry.

Mr. Benn said that the first part of the question was answered in clause six of the Irwin-Gandhi agreement. He added that the best method of dealing with this and other such matters in the new constitution would be discussed at the resumed conference.

Captain Hacking asked whether Mr. Gandhi's article on this subject in last week's Young India violated the agreement.

Mr. Benn said that the Government was concerned with its own policy and was prepared to give answers with regard to it.

Freedom for missionary work in India was raised in the House of Commons by Mr. Somerville, who asked whether the British Government would insist in its negotiations with the Nationalists on safeguards for the fullest protection for it.

Mr. Benn replied that this was an important matter which would doubtless be considered at the resumed discussions.

PIGEON HERO OF WAR.

"Rupert" Killed By A Cat.

"Rupert," one of the most famous of Britain's war-time carrier pigeons, is dead.

Since the Armistice he had been living a life of ease at Twickenham, but he grew careless when sunning himself and paid the penalty by falling victim to a prowling cat.

"Rupert," who had been specially mentioned in official records, flew through shell fire, on the Western front many times, and on one occasion had his beak shot away.

His death leaves only two survivors of the pigeon carrier service. They are "Old Bill" and "Lightning," both more than sixteen years old.

There are 75,211 tractors in operation in the three Prairie Provinces of Canada—Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta; 39,433 in Saskatchewan; 21,891 in Alberta, and 13,887 in Manitoba, according to an estimate made by "Canadian Farm Implements," a Winnipeg publication. Last year 8,991 tractors were sold in Western Canada. Sales of harvester-combines in three provinces in the last five years totalled 9,543, according to the "Nor West Farmer," which estimates the number of threshers in the Prairie Provinces at 66,000. Meanwhile the horse continues to retain a place of popularity among the farm stock.

BUS FATALITIES.

THEIR FREQUENCY IN QUEEN'S ROAD.

OFFICIAL FIGURES.

Mr. W. Schofield, sitting with a Jury, conducted an enquiry at the Central Magistracy yesterday, into the death of an unknown Chinese, who was killed by a Hong Kong Hotel bus in Queen's Road Central, at the junction of Peel Street on May 14.

Dr. A. V. Greaves said that the cause of death was shock and haemorrhage.

Traffic-inspector C. F. Alexander gave figures of fatal accidents in Queen's Road during the past two years. In 1929 there were three fatal accidents, of which one involved a motor bus, while in 1930 there had been eight fatalities, including five in which motor buses were concerned.

The Coroner explained to the jury that two things had to be considered: (1) whether the bus driver took all possible precautions to avoid the accident; and (2), having regard to the circumstances to be set out by the enquiry, should any recommendation be made regarding traffic in Queen's Road Central.

The jury were of the opinion that death had been due to misadventure, with no blame attaching to the driver of the bus. They further recommended, for consideration, that the speed limit of 20 miles an hour for all omnibuses and commercial vehicles should be reduced to fifteen miles per hour in Queen's Road on account of the heavy pedestrian traffic.

Juror Fined.

When the names of the six jurors were called Mr. J. K. Bousfield, of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, was absent. He attended half an hour after the enquiry had begun.

The Coroner said that Mr. Bousfield could not serve because somebody else had taken his place. He added:—"You had better pay ten dollars into the Poor Box. It is outside."

KING'S PICTURES.

Fungi Havoc At Hampton Court.

The King, acting on the advice of Mr. C. H. Collins Baker, Surveyor of the King's Pictures, has decided to have the great series of paintings by Mantegna, at Hampton Court, examined and conserved.

The decision has been made on account of damage caused by fungi which have worked their way in from the back of the pictures and eaten through the pigment to the outer surface.

The work has been placed in the hands of Mr. Kennedy North, who will examine the pictures by X-ray. After locating the damaged portions Mr. North will conserve the paint by a special treatment.

The work will take at least four years to complete—nearly as long as Mantegna took to paint the pictures, as he started in 1485 and finished about 1491.

It is understood that after restoration the King will give instructions for the pictures to hang in the Queen's Bedchamber, where they will be seen to better advantage, instead of in the Orangery, where they have been on view for many years.

PESHAWAR AIR ACCIDENT.

Was It Caused By Stray Bullet?

Peshawar, April 27.
In spite of the hostilities, the bodies of Flying Officer Wood and his companion were treated with respect and honour by the Afghans. The bodies escorted by an Afridi Jirga were handed to the political authorities at Jamrud and the burial took place in Peshawar with full military honours.

The cause of the accident is still unknown. It is considered to have been due to engine trouble, though the possibility of a stray bullet injuring the propeller is not considered remote.

[A message from Peshawar, dated April 25, stated that a Royal Air Force machine, while flying over the Khajuri plain on reconnaissance duty, crashed the previous day in a storm.]

A report of the joint industries committee of the City of Edmonton covering the year 1930 shows that about half a million dollars of private funds were invested during that year in industrial enterprises in that city. And, as one means of assisting the local industries, the committee has plans for placing in every home in central and northern Alberta an illustrated directory of the 200 odd firms manufacturing within the city, with a list of the products made. The committee is made up of three members of each of the following: Edmonton City Council, Edmonton Chamber of Commerce, Edmonton Industrial Association and the Edmonton branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association.

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Being married three times in one film is not a record for Gordon, since he was married eight times in "Blue Beard's Eighth Wife" with Gloria Swanson in the role of wife No. 6.

Among his "wives" are Miss Tashman, Miss Swanson, Pola Negri, Betty Compson, Aileen Pringle, Pauline Frederick, Irene Castle, Dorothy Dalton, Billie Burke, Billie Dove, Lois Wilson, Anna Q. Nilsson, Anita Stewart, Irene Rich and Helene Chadwick. "The Marriage Playground" is showing for the last time to-day at the Central Theatre. Mary Brian and Fredric March play the leading featured roles.

"MIN AND BILL"

Two of the most famous historic ships of the Pacific Coast did duty at San Pedro as part of a motion picture set.

They were the Narwahl, whaler, former Arctic exploration ship, one-time contraband runner from the Orient and figure in numerous adventures, and the Lily, known as the "Old Ironsides" of Nicaragua, captaincy of which recently almost lost her commander his citizenship.

The two vessels were moored at Terminal Island as part of the setting in which "Min and Bill" was filmed. This is the picture co-starring Marie Dressler and Wallace Beery which Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer is showing at the Queen's Theatre.

The Lily, a ship used by Nicaraguan revolutionists, was confiscated as a rum-runner in latter years and was subsequently purchased by M.G.M. Because Nicaragua refused to surrender her registry, William Collins, her captain, had to take out Nicaraguan sailing papers, which caused him considerable difficulty in retaining his American citizenship.

"TRADER HORN."

Signal honour was paid W. S. Van Dyke, director of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's jungle adventure drama, "Trader Horn," coming simultaneously to the Queen's, Star, and World Theatres on Thursday, when he returned from 25,000 mile trek on which the picture was made. He was guest of honour of the Adventurers' Club, composed of famous explorers and adventurers, and presented with a medal in view of his achievements in taking the first and only sound recording apparatus into the densest jungles of Africa. Harry Carey, Duncan Ronald and Edwina Booth play principal roles in the huge production.

A WEEK'S DISEASES.

THE TOLL OF TUBERCULOSIS HIGHER.

The official return of diseases and deaths during the week ended May 23 is as follows:—

Cases. Deaths.	
Enteric fever	5 0
Diphtheria	1 1
Cerebro-spinal fever ..	2 1
Tuberculosis	88

Summary to May 23.

The returns from January 1 to May 23 give the following figures:—

Cases. Deaths.	
Typhoid	72 14
Smallpox	13 8
Scarlet fever	2 —
Diphtheria	58 21
Cerebro-spinal fever ..	8 3
Puerperal fever	4 2
Tuberculosis	1,063

Fourteen of the typhoid cases were non-Chinese, as were two scarlet fever cases, one smallpox case, one cerebro-spinal meningitis case, and 16 diphtheria cases.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of May 27, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/6½.

A memorable Interport cricket match terminated with Shanghai the victor by an innings and 160 runs. The Hong Kong players appeared to realise the hopelessness of the unequal contest. Rumjahn played like a Trojan, going in fifth and staying until the end.

THE LOG Of The "TRADER HORN" Expedition.

By W. S. Van Dyke

Continued from the "China Mail"

Murchison Falls, Uganda.

June 10.

If ever man had the right to be superstitious, I am that man. I see, much to my personal discomfort, that I am in the act of writing the thirteenth chapter of my diary to an unappreciative immortality; and I find that fate has ordained that this same entry contain the record of events involving about a cloudburst which occurred three nights ago and which threatened to remove from the face of the globe the physical aspects of M-G-M in Africa. And I read in my entry of a few hours before the storm, "tomorrow morning, when the clicking of a movie camera will break in upon the stillness of another bit of aboriginal Africa." It will, eh?

Everyone retired early on the night of June 6 to get a good rest before the activity of the first day of filming on the new location. I remember noticing an ominous stillness during the hours after dinner; the breeze had died down completely and there was that tenseness in the atmosphere which heralds an African storm. It was about 9 o'clock when I crawled under the mosquito net and blew out my lamp. The camp was already quieted for the night by that time and I could hear occasional snore and sleepy snailings from the beds nearby.

A Dream.

Sometime during the night I dreamed of filming a "thriller" on the river beside which we are camped. There was a tiny canoe in the picture, loaded with some of my old movie friends—Jack Dempsey, Dim McCoy and Buck Jones among them—and the water in the river was a rushing, boiling maelstrom. I was getting some great shots of this canoe being tilted through the rapids when



Lift Passenger (previously):

"What are we waiting for?"

Attendant: "This is one of the hazards in our midst, golf course, sir."—Passing Show, London.

suddenly I was awakened by the sound of rushing water.

Outside the air was continually lit with the flashes of lightning bolts. Water was coming down in almost a solid mass—there seemed to be no drops of rain at all. Even during the streaks of lightning it was impossible to see beyond the limits of my tent stakes. And all the while a constant roll of thunder beat its steady tattoo over the noise of the plunging cascades of water. It would have been impossible to hear the voices of any of my campmates, had they been awake to talk.

Deluge of Water.

I was on the point of reaching under my bed for my slippers when the back of my tent gave way with a crash and a deluge of water swept over me and everything I could see. Before I could imagine what had happened, my bed was lifted by the onrush of water and with me in it, started for the river about twenty feet away. I had begun to jump for safety when very suddenly I felt myself thrown against a tree stump which stood a few feet from the water's edge, and which, fortunately, gave me an opportunity to get my feet on the ground in time to save myself and the bed further embarrassment.

Turning around to plan my next move I was greeted by one of the most gracious sights my eyes have ever beheld. It was the single blue-white eye of an electric flashlight, coming toward me through the storm. As it drew closer I could hear the voice of Clyde DeVinna shouting to me from behind it.

"Thought we'd lost you, old timer," he yelled. "I couldn't find anything but a trunk in your tent. Everything else has followed mine into the river."

Every Tent Levelled. Together we made our way about camp during the hour or two following. Almost every tent in the encampment had been levelled; and there was not once an instance where the storm had failed to exact some loss of personal property. The fortunate ones were deprived only of a few pairs of shoes, some items

of clothing or a small knapsack—others lost trunks, suitcases, beds, parts of their tents. Even as we made the rounds, the water was rushing through the camp at a level of more than a foot in most places, carrying with it boxes, bits of brush and saplings.

After an hour of exploration and search we turned in again for the rest of the night, most of us sleeping in the mess tent which by some miracle was not levelled. The storm abated with the same suddenness with which it had apparently risen and we were able to get a few hours' rest before dawn.

In the morning the scene which greeted us as we staggered out of the mess tent, damp and ill-tempered, added nothing to our peace of mind. The storm has broken presumably in the canyon behind the camp. The water had gathered between the two walls of rock and, literally forming a river, had swept down upon our campsite which stood immediately below the canyon and its outlet to the river. Just before tumbling past our tents, it had broken up into five or six smaller streams, following depressions in the ground and it was one of these that had swept through my tent. In the cases of the tents standing between these subsidiary rivulets, only minor damage had been wrought.

The ground upon which the camp stood was matted down with mud and brush and parts of it were still draining water. Dead lizards, monitors, rats and birds, had been caught and held fast by tree trunks and undergrowth which had withstood the force of the flood. The tents which had not been completely flattened and carried from their moorings were badly bent and battered by the rain and the weight of water. It was a scene of desolation and waste worthy of the original Biblical flood.

Harry Carey's Loss.

A check-up of a few hours revealed that about twenty boxes of stores had been carried away, the motor generator on the radio had been permanently damaged beyond repair, water had leaked into the camera tent and ruined almost 25,000 feet of unexposed film and temporarily put out of commission two of the three cameras set up. Harry Carey had lost his wardrobe for the picture and one trunk of personal effects. Last year his \$350,000 ranch was wiped out in the San Fernando dam break, so this looked like a lot of nonsense to him.

From our closest estimates at this time I judge that we will be delayed at least a week in our programme of filming. Work on the crocodile pool was not disturbed, of course, but it will be impossible to repair the cameras in less than a week's time. Fortunately, we will be able to survive well enough on our present food supply until more can be brought in from Butaba. The damage to the radio seems beyond repair, but DeVinna thinks there is a possibility of using storage batteries in place of the generator motor.

Tracks of Crocs.

One danger that we failed to appraise in our haste during the night was that of crocodiles who might have come into camp in search of foodstuffs. Their tracks were plainly visible around the store room in the morning and it was evident that they had profited considerably from some of the washed out chuck boxes. The fact that they might not have limited their plundering to the inanimate objects about camp never occurred to me during the confusion immediately following the storm.

To-night the camp is restored in part at least. Our scattered remains have been dried, sorted and returned to the owners; the tents have been repitched on higher ground and, except for a rotten odour originating in the decomposed vegetable matter along the river and the presence of hordes of new mosquitoes and tsetse flies, life is progressing much as though nothing had happened.

A New Camp.

Murchison Falls, Uganda.

June 15.

To-day a new camp stands on the site of the old, the debris of the storm is swept away, the wireless is operating on a storage battery and repairs to the damaged cameras are nearing completion.

Yesterday afternoon we succeeded in shooting, with one camera, twenty-six shots of a sequence which portrays, Trader Horn, Renchero and Little Peru on safari through the jungle. A mile or so up the canyon behind camp we found an excellent location for these scenes—a verdant glade between the granite walls of the divide, set off by a giant tree which forms a background for the picture. We were blessed with very unusual

light and found that by the use of occasional gold and silver leaf reflectors, we could get along quite as well as though our entire electrical apparatus had been brought along. Renchero, exhibited almost unusual ability as an actor throughout, a vast improvement over his first days' efforts. I learned later from one of the white hunters that he had come to this man yesterday morning and said, "Bwana, I am perfectly willing to do all this rot that you ask, but why must Bwana Carey be continually pointing his finger at imaginary objects and asking me questions in English which I cannot hope to answer?" I know that there must be some reason for these strange things, and I wish you would explain it to me."

Gales of Laughter.

The hunter said he then took Renchero aside and gave him, as best he could, an idea of what was going on and what the requirements of his part were. When he concluded Renchero went into gales of laughter—a very unusual mode of conduct for him. "Why," he said to the hunter, "I wish you had told me before—that's easy. I'm a moving picture actor now. Watch me perform."

To-day we were up early and on our way to the Falls to take the few shots necessary to show the discovery of the missionary lady's body by Horn and Peru and their departure up river following her burial. The British Government made a survey last year of the country between our camp and the falls with the prospect of building a permanent tourist trail up there. The estimate for the job was 400 pounds—\$2,000-American money—but the trail we traversed this morning was built in two days by Maj. Dickinson, one of our hunters, with the aid of four natives. It wasn't the sort of a walk for an old lady to take and there were occasional steep grades and difficult angles, but we succeeded well enough in getting through with our camera, our reflectors, our props and all our actors. I imagine overland the distance is about 2 miles. We made the trip in an hour. Arriving at the foot of the falls we burst forth suddenly from the woods onto a rocky promontory, fifty feet above the rapids, directly facing the rushing cascades of water.

Chiselled Through Rock.

At this point the river is not more than one hundred yards wide, chiselled through solid rock. The falls rise above it 400 feet, the flood of thrashing, churning spray being precipitated through a crevice in the rocky walls not more than fifteen yards in width. It is apparent that once the water fell from the lofty table of rock direct to the river below in a broad sheet, but generations of time have worn a crack in the surface of the stone through which the entire volume of water from the river above has come to flow, pounding itself ever deeper, seeking the level beneath. To-day it is probably one of the most violent and tumultuous of all waterfalls. Vast torrents of water are flung from side to side, thrown into the air in spray and forced through narrow crannies in a turbulent race for the rapids below. It is impossible to imagine that even a fish could weather the journey and the presence of innumerable crocodiles in the rapids under the falls gives credence to the belief that one of their chief means of sustenance is from the fish who are killed or stunned in the descent.

Enraptured by Sight.

As we stood there, enraptured by the sight, one of the hunters familiar with this part of the country told me that it was probably 20 years since a white man had reached the spot on which we were standing. I can only hope that the trail which we blazed through the woods will help others to enjoy the beauty of this great natural waterfall of Uganda.

Our actual filming was delayed through most of the day by the fact that we encountered considerable difficulty in bringing two native dugout canoes up to the base of the falls. We had purchased the canoes in Panyamur and towed them all the way to our present camp for the express purpose of using them in this very sequence. The fact that the rapids become increasingly impassable as they neared the falls made it more of a job than I anticipated to bring them to the appointed spot. I was told that no boat had ever come within one hundred yards of where I intended to go, but I have heard many pessimistic stories since my arrival in Africa which proved to be founded on superstition—rather than experiment. I find it sensible to try everything.

Another Obstacle Surmounted.

Accordingly, I had two of my men pole the canoes as far as the most severe rapids—at least one hundred feet beyond the point where all other boats quit. From there it seemed impossible to continue by water, so I had the boats taken out of the water and hauled over a one hundred foot rock to the whirlpool directly beneath the falls. The boats each weigh about 1,500 pounds and it was necessary to employ block and tackle to effect a safe manipulation, but they were there by 3 this

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RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 855 metres.

5-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
6-6.30 p.m.—Chinese Children's Programme.
7-10.30 p.m.—European Programme of Victor and H.M.V. Records kindly supplied by Messrs. S. Moutrie & Co.

7-7.28 p.m.—Waltzes.
Luxemburg (Léhar),
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Blue Danube (Strauss).
Tales from the Vienna Woods (Strauss).
Philadelphia Symphony Orch.
(5584).

La Paloma (Vradies).
On with the Dance,
Stahl's Band (35880).
My Treasure (Beauchamp),
International Concert Orch.
(35884).

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
7.28-8.13 p.m.—Variety.
Clarinet Solo—
Blue Piano Stamp,
Blue Clarinet Stamp,
Johnny Dood's Trio (21554).

Humorous Song—
This is Heaven,
Moscow—Gracie Fields (B3244).
Organ Solo—
Thistle-down,
Edward O'Herry (B3571).

Humorous Song—
Oh, How I Weary, Dearie, for You,
That's the Reason No I Wear a Kit,
Sir Harry Lauder, Baritone
(D1493).

Banjo Quartet—
A Swanee Sing Song,
Whistling Rufus,
Emile Grimsshaw's Banjo
Quartet (B3377).

Humorous Song—
There's Nothing Over Sixpence in the Store,
The Roast Beef of Old England,
Ernest Hastings (B2481).

8.13-8.30 p.m.—Pianoforte Solos.
Staccato Etude (Rubinstein),
La Campanella (Paganini-Liszt),
Mazurka (Chopin) (D1489).

Pastorale e Capriccio (Scriabin),
Benno Moisevitch (B528).
8.30-8.51 p.m.—Organ Solos.
Prelude in E Flat (Saint-Saens),
The Swan (Saint-Saens),
Marcel Dupre (E518).

Storm (Menle),
Arthur Menle (B2347).
Marche Militaire (Schubert arr. Best),
Andantino (Lemare),
Arthur Menle (B2353).

8.51-9.35 p.m.—A Concert.
Violin Solo—
Rondo (Schubert-Friedberg),
Jascha Heifetz (6691).

Song—
Lo, Here the Gentle Lark (Bishop),
Mavis Bonnet, Soprano
(C1229).

Flute Solo—
The Carnival of Venice
(arr. Bricealdi),
Hungarian Pastoral Fantasia
(Doppier),
John Aradio (6695).

Song—
Sombre Woods (Lully),
Manual Hemingway, Bass
(B2689).

Instrumental Trio—
I Zingari (Lorenzavalle),
Mirage (Gosset),
De Griet (Violin), David
Bor (Piano), H. M. Calve
(Cello) (B3028).

Vocal Duet—
The Thought That Never Entered
My Head (Novello),
Moon Enchanted (Novello),
Winnie Weville and Derek
Oldham (B3276).

(This Record is by Special Request.)
Carillon Solo—
Country Dance in G Minor
(Newton),
Spring Song (Mendelssohn),
W. C. Jordan (B2687).

9.35-10.24 p.m.—
Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 73
(Brahms).
The Philadelphia Symphony
Orchestra Conducted by
Leopold Stokowski
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10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

FRONTIER AIR CRASH.

Victims' Bodies Returned by Afridis.

Bombay, April 30.

It transpires that the aeroplane which crashed on Khajuri plain last Friday, causing the death of both British officers who were occupants, came down in a storm.

There was considerable difficulty regarding the return of the bodies by the Afridis.

Armoured cars and patrols were sent out to find them, but failed. The pilot of an aeroplane which subsequently went out, was shown the bodies by the Afridis.

The Afridis refused to part with the bodies for less than Rs. 10,000 each.

Finally, after negotiations, which it was pointed out to them that in the last war the bodies of their own men had been returned to them and their wounded had been cared for in British hospitals, they returned the bodies on Saturday.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

PEAK CHURCH.

ANNUAL MEETING.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Electors of the Peak Church will be held in St. John's Cathedral Hall at 5.30 p.m. on THURSDAY, May 28, 1931.

ALFRED SWANN,

Hon. Secretary.

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Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre; "Foot First." Theatre; "Min and Bill." Theatre; "Marriage Playground." Theatre; "To-day—Majestic Theatre; "All Quiet on the Western Front." Theatre; "World Theatre; "The Desert Song."

Home Mails.

To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Empress of Asia); from Europe via Negapatam (Gange); Outward for Europe via Siberia (Gange), 4.30 p.m.

Lammer's Auctions.

Friday—At "Pamela's" premises, Queen's Road Central, stock-in-trade shop furniture and fittings, 10.30 a.m.

Meetings.

To-morrow—Peak Church Annual meeting, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.

Friday—Union Insurance Society, 11 a.m.; China Fire Insurance Co., 11.15 a.m.; British Traders' Insurance Co., 11.20 a.m., at Union Building, China Sugars, Jardine's Board Room, noon.

Sports.

See Sports Diary on Page 9.

WINGED ART.

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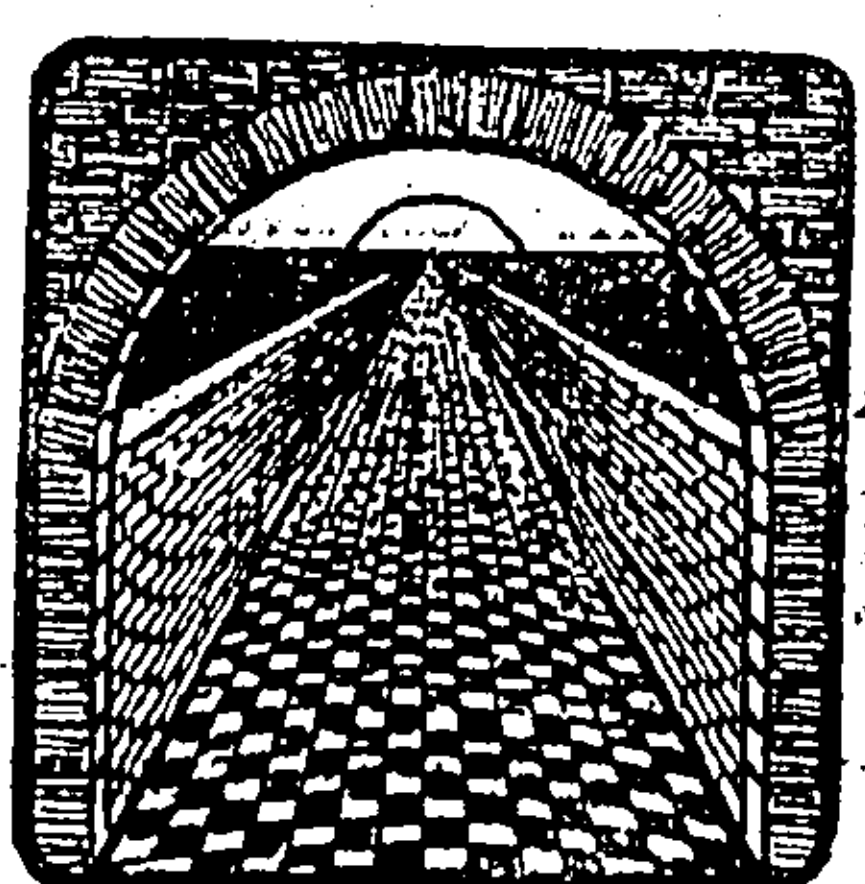
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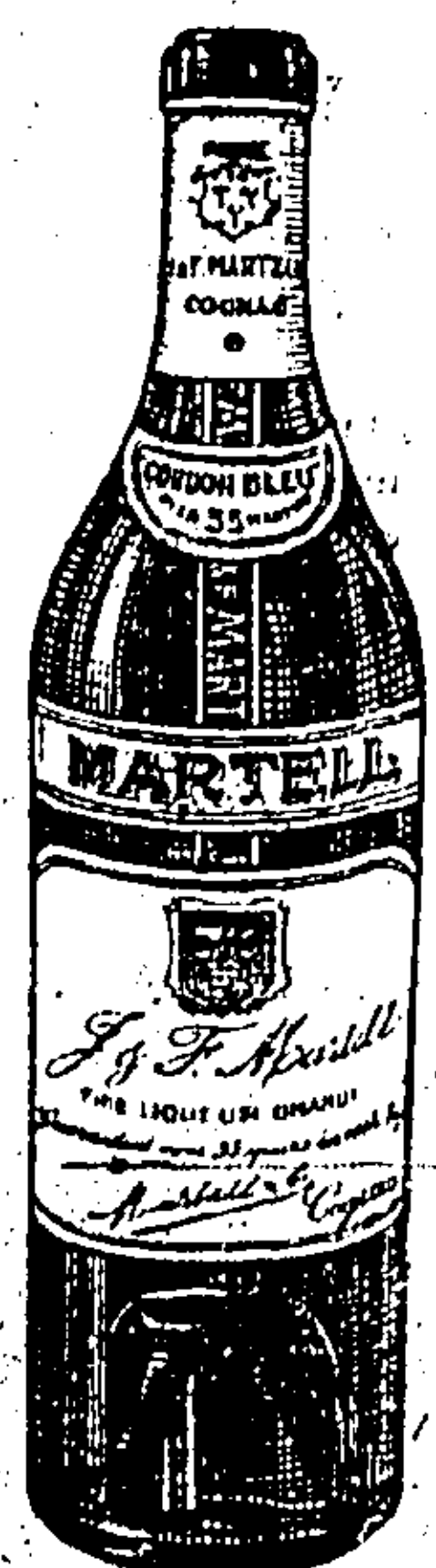
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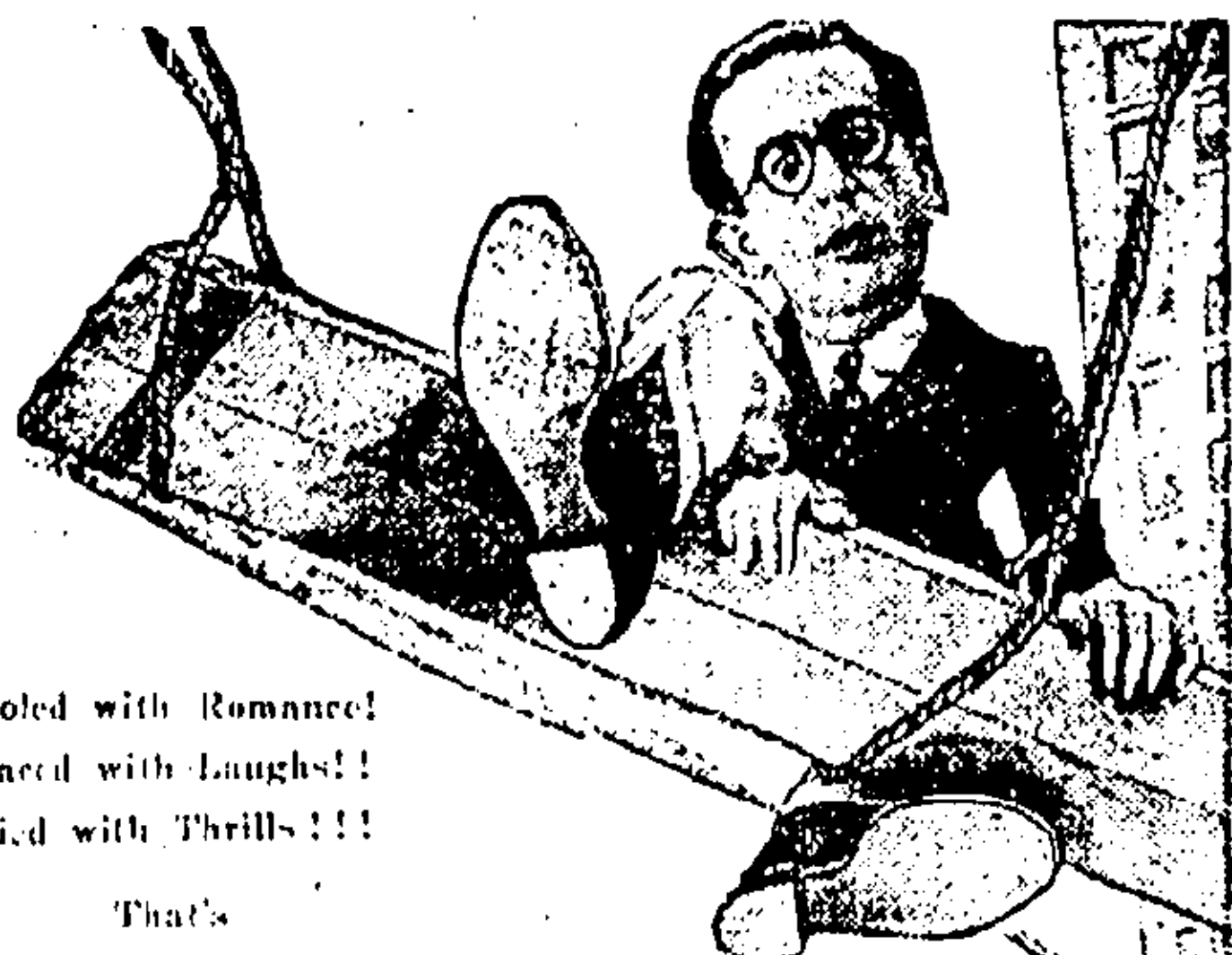
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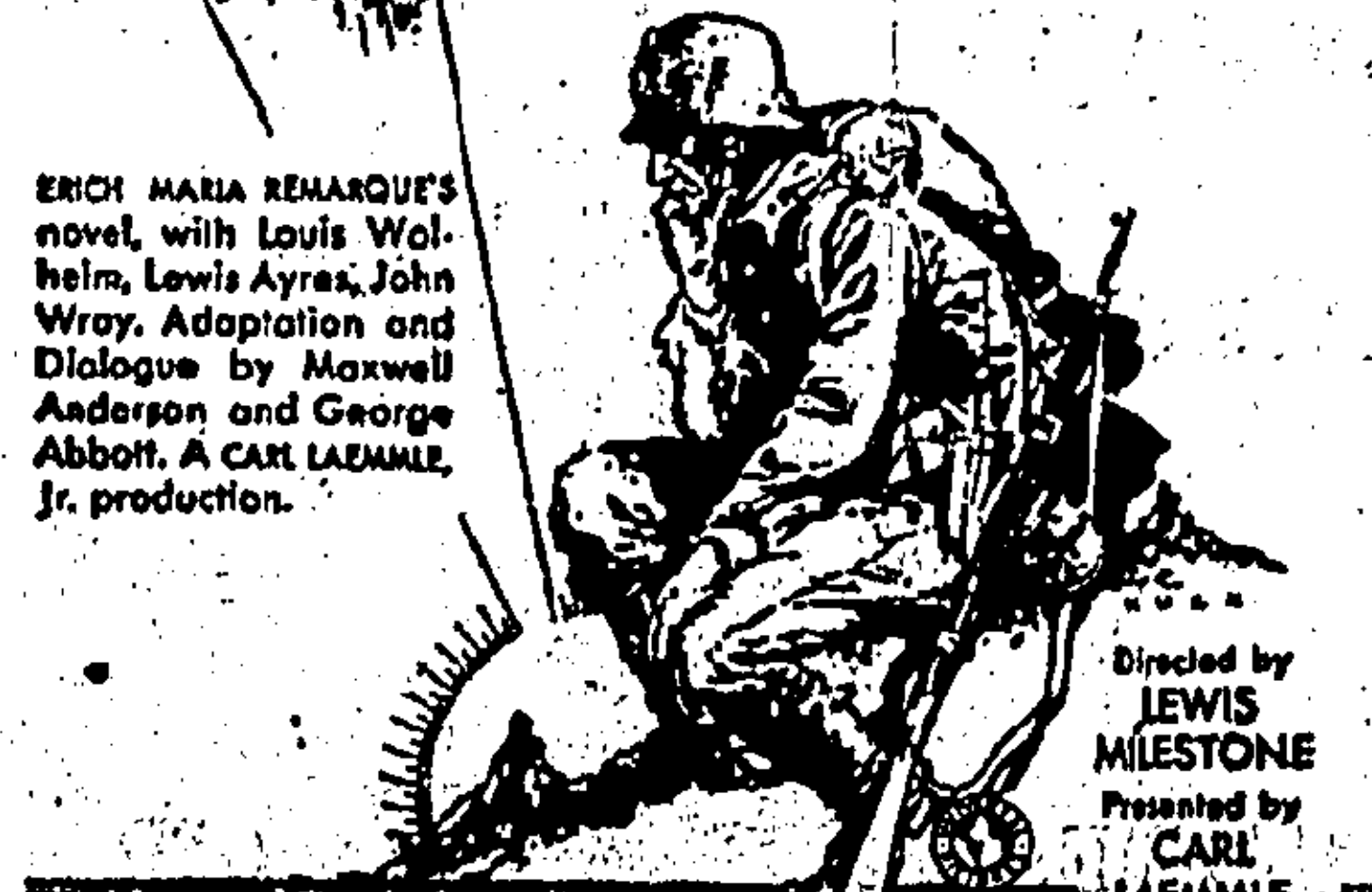
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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

PHIL SCOTT AGAIN IN THE RING.

To Do Battle Against Coloured Boxer.

A COMEBACK?

Phil Scott, the British heavy-weight champion, has been matched to fight Larry Gains, a coloured Canadian. They are to meet on the ground of the Leicester Rugby Football Club in the afternoon of June 13.

We who take boxing seriously and have a sense of values suppose that he had decided to leave the ring to others, writes a correspondent in a Home paper. We long ago ceased to itch to see again the memory of his woful exhibition against Young Stribling, at Wimbledon last Summer, is painfully fresh. To him we concede every credit for what he has accomplished, but we do not belittle him when we say that the time for his retirement is fully ripe.

Maybe that Scott is still smarting because of a consciousness that he let his country down so badly in his last venture and is determined to win back whatever popularity he enjoyed before his encounter with Stribling, but if it is his desire to re-establish himself, surely, since he hugs to the British heavy-weight title, he should have defended that title against Charlie Smith, of Deptford, who for so long so persistently has challenged his position. Scott, in theory only, is the best big man in Britain; if he is no more formidable than he was at Wimbledon who will deny that even Smith, a moderate fighter, has a right to say that he is as good as "the champion"?

The only explanation I can offer for Scott's not meeting Smith is that the elongated fellow of Deptford is a doubtful business proposition; and so Scott prefers Gains. Every pugilist must be allowed a fair share of the loaves and fishes, and it is in the nature of things that Scott should seek every profit. But he is in no position to dictate terms; he is essentially a boxer who should be content with a reasonable percentage of what moneys he draws at the box-office.

Had His Day.

I am not concerned, however, so much with the financial arrangements of the match which is to be staged at Leicester as with the danger that the worth of the affair will be exaggerated. Scott has had his day, whatever that day may be considered to be. Larry Gains, since he settled in this country, has proved that, as heavyweights go, he is decidedly above the average. Gains should win decisively. For not only was Scott, at what may be considered to be the summit of his form, an uncertain, often fatally sensitive, fighter, but he has indulged in long inactivity; and, further, as fighters go, he is no longer young.

Abstention from actual fighting is hurtful; it would be astonishing if Scott, though between now and June he may train as he has never trained before, proved to be a complete fighter.

SHANGHAI WALKING CONTEST.

Large Percentage Below Time Limit.

CHINESE EVENT.

Shanghai, May 18. The Chinese walking competition held yesterday morning was a great success, 235 competitors and 18 veterans of the International Walk (who went round unofficially) starting at 8 o'clock at the corner of Carter Road and Bubbling Well Road, and 195 finishing the 12-mile course inside the limit of 2½ hours. Amongst the contestants were two boys of 13 and a veteran of 40. The trio completed the course well to the front, and were given a loud ovation from the spectators and presented with special prizes. Shan King-sung, who captured the international title, was the first home, timed at 1 hr. 46 min. 20 sec. Close on his heels was Hela Ying-dao, who finished only ten seconds later. Chen Shuen was third, about 100 yards away. —North China Daily News.

BATTLE OF ROSES DRAWN.

GLOUCESTER DEFEATED.

Hendren Scores Century in Benefit Game.

WARWICKSHIRE SCORE.

London, Yesterday. Chief interest in the week-end cricket programme was centred around the Lancashire-Yorkshire match at Manchester. As was to be expected the game possessed all the characteristics of the usual four struggles between these two counties and fizzled out in a draw. It was good to see Robinson, the veteran Yorkshire player, taking a few cheap wickets and also to see Verity to the fore again.

"Patsy" Hendren will be able to look back on his second benefit match for Middlesex with all satisfaction. His county defeated the strong Sussex side by eight wickets and he, himself, scored his second century of the season to celebrate the occasion. It was indeed a fitting reward for the agile little man.

C. S. Dempster scored his third century of the tour at Cardiff where he scored 129 not out. His centuries to date make interesting reading—212 v. Essex; 106 not out v. Hampshire; and 129 not out v. Glamorgan. G. L. Weir scored his first three-figure innings in England in the second innings, scoring an undefeated century out of 190 for 4 wickets.

The following were the most noteworthy batting and bowling feats accomplished during the mid-week cricket programme:—

Batting.
C. S. Dempster (N.Z.) 123*
Hendren (Middlesex) 125
Arnold (Hants.) 111
Croom (Warwick) 103
G. L. Weir (N.Z.) 100*

Bowling.
*Freeman (Kent) 10 for 115
*Root (Worcester) 10 for 132
*Gregory (Surrey) 9 for 70
Wellard (Somerset) 6 for 39
Larwood (Notts.) 6 for 43
Parker (Gloucester) 6 for 49
Paine (Warwick) 5 for 60
W. E. Merritt (N.Z.) 5 for 91
Jones (Glamorgan) 5 for 93
Nichols (Essex) 5 for 13
Astill (Leicester) 5 for 33
Kennedy (Hants.) 5 for 50
G. P. H. Fender (Surrey) 5 for 51
Verity (Yorkshire) 5 for 54
Crewe (Hants.) 5 for 60
Eastman (Essex) 4 for 27
Robinson (Yorkshire) 4 for 29
Watt (Kent) 4 for 44
* Wickets taken in both innings.

Warwickshire garnered their first points of the season at Edgbaston, Birmingham, at the expense of Derbyshire. A bright century by Croom was responsible for the home county declaring at 258 for 8 wickets. Paine was again in good form with the ball and captured 6 wickets for 80 runs.

Kent are striving desperately for the championship this year and yesterday defeated Somerset to gain their fourth victory of the season.

Some very fine bowling by Larwood was not sufficient to dismiss Surrey for less than the Notts total at Trent Bridge, and the northern county received yet another check in their bid for the championship.

Essex forced their first win of the season at Leyton when they defeated Worcestershire by 151 runs. Root, the leg-break theory bowler, claimed ten Essex victims for 132 runs during the course of the match. Leicester maintained their specialisation when they defeated Northants on the first innings at Northampton.

Probably the biggest surprise came from Bristol where Gloucestershire suffered defeat at the hands of Hampshire in a low score.

"BIG BILL" TILDEN AGAIN WINS.

Vincent Richards Loses Fourth Encounter.

CLOSE MATCH.

Chicago, Illinois, May 18. For the fourth time in their series of matches for the world's professional tennis title, William T. Tilden defeated Vincent Richards in a close contest here last night. The scores were 7-5, 1-6, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.—China Press Radio.

ing match. Arnold, with a score of 111, was largely responsible for the home county's total of 267. Gloucester, however, failed to snatch a lead and were faced with the task of scoring 189 runs for victory in the fourth innings. Kennedy, capturing half the wickets for 50 runs was largely instrumental in the dismissal of the side for 122 runs.

The full results as cabled by Reuter were as follow:

Kent beat Somerset by seven wickets at Taunton.
Scores:—
Somerset: 166 (Freeman 4 for 63, Watt 4 for 44);
121 (Freeman 6 for 52).
Kent: 146 (Wellard 6 for 39);
144 for 3.

Surrey took first innings points from Notts at Trent Bridge.

Scores:—
Notts: 130 (Gregory 5 for 28);
155 (Gregory 4 for 42, P. G. H. Fender 5 for 51).
Surrey: 161 (Larwood 6 for 43);
22 for 1.

Yorkshire took first innings points from Lancashire at Manchester.

Scores:—
Yorkshire: 231 and 76 for 2.
Lancashire: 128 (Robinson 4 for 29, Verity 5 for 64).

Middlesex beat Sussex by eight wickets at Lord's.

Scores:—
Sussex: 285 and 112.
Middlesex: 324 for 6 dec. (Hendren 125); 75 for 2.

Essex beat Worcestershire by 151 runs at Leyton.

Scores:—
Essex: 156 (Root 5 for 49); 249 for 7 dec. (Root 5 for 83).
Worcester: 182 (Eastman 4 for 27); 69 (Nichols 5 for 13).

Leicester took first innings points from Northants at Northampton.

Scores:—
Leicester: 221 and 147 for 3.
Northants: 159 (Astill 5 for 33).

Hampshire beat Gloucestershire by 66 runs at Bristol (Fry's ground).

Scores:—
Hampshire: 267 (Arnold 111);
116 for 9 dec. (Parker 6 for 49).
Gloucester: 195 (Creese 5 for 62);
122 (Kennedy 5 for 50).

Warwickshire took first innings points from Derbyshire at Edgbaston.

Scores:—
Warwick: 258 for 3 dec. (Croom 103); 142 for 7.
Derby: 217 (Paine 6 for 80).

FRIENDLY.

The New Zealanders drew with Glamorganshire at Cardiff.

Scores:—
New Zealand: 238 for 6 dec. (C. S. Dempster 129*, Jones 6 for 93);
190 for 4 dec. (G. L. Weir 100*).
Glamorgan: 200 (W. E. Merritt 6 for 91); 103 for 5.

FIRST CLASS COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE TO DATE.

	P.	W.	L.	Won	Lost	Pts.	Pts.
Kent (6)	4	0	0	0	0	60	60
Gloucestershire (2)	0	3	1	1	1	30	53
Middlesex (10)	4	2	0	2	0	60	40
Notts (4)	5	2	0	1	1	75	38
Yorkshire (3)	3	2	0	1	0	45	35
Lancashire (1)	5	2	0	0	1	75	33
Sussex (7)	4	1	1	1	1	60	23
Hampshire (13)	3	1	0	1	1	45	23
Somersetshire (14)	5	1	2	0	2	75	21
Essex (6)	0	1	3	0	2	30	21
Worcestershire (10)	4	1	2	1	0	60	20
Surrey (3)	0	0	2	3	1	0	18
Derbyshire (3)	0	0	2	3	1	0	18
Leicestershire (12)	4	0	0	2	2	60	16
Glamorganshire (11)	3	1	2	0	0	45	16
Northamptonshire (17)	4	0	1	0	3	60	9
Warwickshire (16)	4	0	3	1	0	60	8

The figures in brackets were the positions occupied by the counties at the close of the 1930 season. The method of scoring this year is as follows:—15 points for a win; 7½ points for a tie; 5 points for a win on the first innings and 3 points for a loss on first innings; 4 points for a tie on the first innings and 4 points for a no result.



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THE WATER POLO
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EIGHTEEN TEAMS.

Eighteen teams signified their intentions of entry in this year's Water Polo League at the meeting of the Committee of the Hong Kong Swimming Association last night.

The following are entries for the two Leagues:—

Division I.—V.R.C., Kowloon, Royal Navy, South Wales Borderers, Chinese Bathing Club, Chinese Athletic Association.

Division II.—South Wales Borderers, 20th Heavy Battery, 31st Heavy Battery, 12th Heavy Battery, Chinese Athletic Association, V.R.C. "A", V.R.C. "B", Kowloon "A", Kowloon "B", Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, Royal Corps of Signals, Hong Kong University.

The season will commence on Monday, June 1, and games will be played at the V.R.C. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights at 6 and 6.30.

JAPANESE ATHLETE
CONVERSANT.Miss Hitomi Optimistic
at 35.

GLAMOUR OF THE TRACK.

Osaka, May 14.

Miss Kinze Hitomi, Japan's foremost woman track athlete, has gone into training with hopes of winning a place on the Japanese team which will participate in the Olympic meet at Los Angeles next year.

Miss Hitomi, who is a sporting writer on the "Osaka Mainichi," although she has reached 35 years which is the age when Japanese women begin to fret a little if there is not a prospective husband in sight, says she has no intention of permitting matrimony to interfere with her athletic activities.

The track star in an article in the "Women's Salon," a monthly magazine, says she is "fed-up" with all the advice on marriage which has been pouring in on her ever since her name became known for her achievements as a sprinter.

"My seniors are always advising me to begin thinking seriously about marriage, but I often ask myself whether I am temperamentally fitted for marriage," Miss Hitomi writes.

"Some of my advisers have even taken to sarcasm, suggesting that since I am such an athletic individual I may beat my husband when I become angry; but I don't think so because my heart is not hard, no matter how fierce I may look when I am running in a race. 'So instead of getting married right away, I think I shall continue my interest in athletics. If I devote the time required for the consideration of marriage to my work, I probably can accomplish a great deal. Undoubtedly I shall change my occupation, in time but no matter what new one I may enter upon, it will not be as delightful as competing on the track before thousands of spectators, seeing the Rising Sun flag hoisted in Japan and hearing the band play the Japanese national anthem.'"

Miss Hitomi has made three trips to Europe for athletic competition and has won a series of women's international records. Among these were 24, 7/10 seconds for the 200-metres in 1929 and 59 seconds for the 400-metres in 1928.

—Associated Press.

JOHN DE FOREST IN
GREAT FORM.Bobby Jones' Record
Is Broken.

SUNNINGDALE THRILLS.

London, May 1.

Some of the most remarkable golf ever played at Sunningdale was produced by John De Forest, a 24-year-old golfer, who won the amateur championship of Surrey yesterday.

Armed with plated steel-shafted clubs, American mannerisms, and a good deal of American skill, probably gained during his recent seven months' holiday in the United States, he produced better figures for nine holes than did R. T. Jones when the famous American made his record score of 66 at Sunningdale. Jones did the first nine holes in 33. De Forest did them in 32, thanks to the holding of two putts that were long enough to be called approaches and never getting off the line with his long shots. He beat Reginald Straker, the holder, in the semi-final by 4 and 3, his score for the fifteen holes being five under fours.

RESULTS OF WHITSUNTIME
MEETING.

In the Bogey Pool played during the week-end at Farning J. H. Anderson (7) 1 up and C. E. Sandstrom (14) 1 up tied for first place.

Other scores were: J. H. Anderson (7) all square; A. T. Lay (8) one down; A. C. I. Bowker (8) 2 down; and A. Reid (18) 2 down. There were 82 entries.

Medal Round was won by I. Newton with a score of 86—6=80. There were 11 entries.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

RACING—To-day—Hong Kong Jockey Club Half Yearly Meeting of Voting Members at 5.15 p.m. Saturday—H.K. Jockey Club Closing of List of Subscribers of Subscription Griffs and Australians, at noon.

LAWN BOWLS:—Saturday—Division I.—Kowloon Docks v. Taikoo, C.C.C. v. C.S.C.C., K.B.G.C. v. Police, K.C.C. v. P.C.C.; Division II.—Reserve v. H.K. Electric, Taikoo v. K.C.C., C.S.C.C. v. K.B.G.C., Yacht Club v. C.C.C. Entries close for C.S.C.C. Competitions.

GOLF—Sunday—Kowloon Golf Club v. Machine Gun Co., H.K.V.D.C.

HOME.

CRICKET—To-day, To-morrow and Friday—

Oxford v. New Zealanders.
Middlesex v. Essex.
Lancashire v. Kent.
Gloucester v. Somerset.
Glamorgan v. Hampshire.
Northants v. Sussex.
Cambridge v. Nottingham.
Leicester v. Surrey.
Warwick v. Yorkshire.
Worcester v. Derby.
Saturday, Monday & Tuesday—
Middlesex v. New Zealanders.
Essex v. Northants.
Lancashire v. Surrey.
Glamorgan v. Gloucester.
Hampshire v. Warwick.
Yorkshire v. Kent.
Derby v. Sussex.
Worcester v. Gloucester.

EXHIBITION—To-morrow, Friday and Saturday—Royal Tournament at Olympia.

RACING—Friday—Manchester Cup.

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TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

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Documentary, 4 months' sight	11 15/16
On Paris—	
On demand	575
Credits, 4 months' sight	615
On Berlin—	
On demand	Nom.
On New York—	
On demand	22 9/16
Credits, 60 days' sight	23 11/16
On Bombay—	
Wire	62 3/4
On demand	62 3/4
On Calcutta—	
Wire	62 3/4
On demand	62 3/4
On Singapore—	
On demand	40 1/2
On Manila—	
On demand	45 3/4
On Shanghai—	
On demand	77 1/2
Dollar	6 3/4 dis.
On Yokohama—	
On demand	45 3/4
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LONDON EXCHANGES.

Rugby, Yesterday.	
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New York	4.86 15/32
Brussels	34.94 1/2
Geneva	25.15
Amsterdam	12.09 3/4
Berlin	20.47 1/2
Stockholm	18.14 1/2
Copenhagen	18.16 1/2
Oslo	18.16 1/2
Vienna	34.60 1/2
Prague	164 1/4
Helsingfors	193 1/4
Madrid	50.15
Lisbon	108.25
Athens	375
Bucharest	417
Rio	3 1/4
Buenos Aires	34 3/16
Montevideo	29
Bombay	1/5 27/32
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China Underwriters	100	100	100	100	100	100	Div. 25 cents for 1930 Mar. 31, 31
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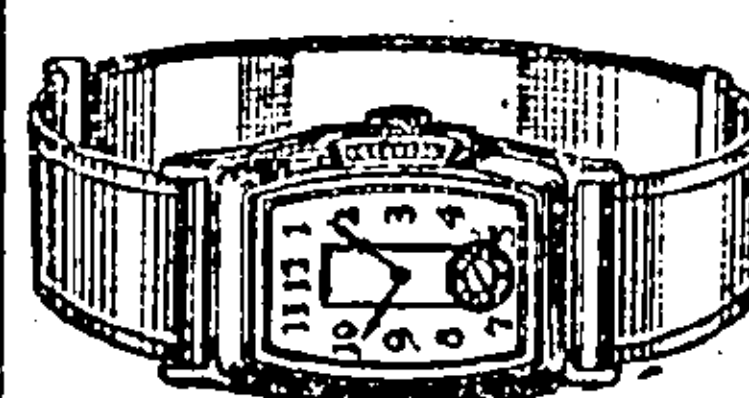
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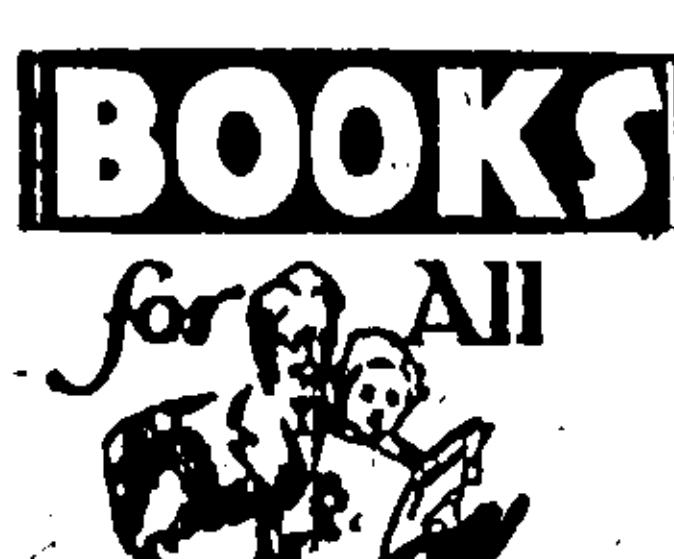
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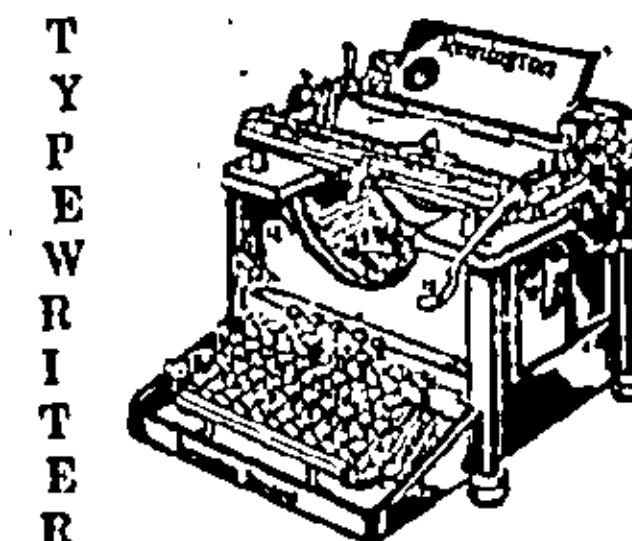
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VICE AND GRAFT IN
NEW YORK.Serious Attack on
Tammany Hall.

LOOSENEED CONTROL.

When Mr. James J. Walker was
re-elected Mayor of New York City
by a hugely increased majority in
the Autumn of 1929 the crowds that
gathered in Times Square singing
"We're sky high for Walker" ap-
plauded the results as a foregone
conclusion, writes the New York
correspondent of The Times. Tam-
many had swept the board, and the
incoherent forces of Republicanism,
Socialism, and civic reform retired
to the positions of impotent ob-
scure from which they had emerg-
ed to conduct a campaign more like
a routine manoeuvre than a serious
charge.

To-day the Mayor is compelled to
show reason why he should not be
removed from office, and Tammany
Hall is facing an attack as serious
as any it has encountered in its
scarred career. Its strategists may
yet deflect the attack or at least re-
treat in good order. In any case
Tammany will suffer no final defeat.
But there will be a political up-
heaval in the metropolis more vio-
lent and extensive than seemed pos-
sible 18 months ago.

Although nobody at that time had
a notion of the magnitude of the
storm that was soon to gather, there
were signs even then that Mayor
Walker's second administration was
unlikely to run so smoothly as his
first. The stock-market crash had
already begun. As it proceeded
judges, magistrates, officials, and
other more or less public figures
who owed their positions largely to
their connection with Tammany, and
who in the days of riotous prosper-
ity had haunted the lucrative but
far from lucid inter-space between
the worlds of politics, finance, and
the law, found their operations ex-
posed to the unfriendly gaze of an
excited and irritable public, many of
whose members had in one way and
another been swindled out of most
of their money.

One judge went to prison, another
was forced to resign, a third dis-
appeared from the Supreme Court
bench in the middle of the scandal,
and has not been heard of since.
Moreover, as Mr. Franklin Roose-
velt, Governor of New York State,
was already a prospective candidate
for the Democratic nomination for
the Presidency in 1932, what hap-
pened in New York had begun to

assume a more than local signifi-
cance.

Weakening Control.

If Tammany government is no
more corrupt than the governments
of half a dozen other large cities, it
is more notorious than any
especially in those districts
of the south and west
where hatred and distrust of
New York are matters of habit and
principle. The Republicans were on
the qui vive to see that any wash-
ing of New York's dirty linen should
be done as publicly as possible. The
Republican National Committee
would have been glad to put Mr.
Roosevelt in the position where he
would either have to offend his sup-
porters in Tammany Hall by push-
ing forward an investigation of the
city or else alienate many of his
natural friends in other parts of the
country by seeming to ignore the
unseemly tumpus at his door.

More important in its effect on
the events of the last 18 months
than either of the foregoing elements
in the situation has been the
fact that in the last few years the
internal mechanism of the Tammany
organisation has been working loose.
Mr. Curry, the present head of
Tammany Hall, was elected with
difficulty over strong opposition, and
he has not been the all-powerful
"boss" that Croker was, or Murphy.
New York has been quieter than
Chicago, because in the past Tam-
many has held unified control over
the political and semi-political
activities of the city.

Now the control has loosened.
Subordinates in the organisation
have been getting out of hand, and
things have been done that a strong
chief with all the reins in his hand
would have forbidden as being too
dangerous, too irregular, too "raw".
Old Tammany men who have worked
for the organisation for a quarter
of a century shake their heads over
the carelessness of them put it the
other day, "the big boys have been
letting the little fellows get away
with murder." Now the resulting
trouble is coming to a head.

Even so, Tammany remains an ex-
traordinarily efficient, and in many
ways beneficent, administrative ma-
chine. It governs a population
larger than that of the whole of
present-day Austria, and more
heterogeneous, racially and econo-
mically, than the old Hapsburg Em-
pire. The city is divided into as-
sembly districts, each with its dis-
trict leaders, who are also members
of the organisation's central com-
mittee. The assembly districts are
subdivided into election districts,
supervised by district captains,
whose business it is to know all that
there is to be known about the
voters in their districts. In the

frowsty rooms of brownstone houses
all over New York the people of the
district bring their requests and
complaints to the Tammany district
captain.

"Uncle" Steps In.

A trivial but characteristic in-
cident illustrates in a general way
how Tammany works. There is a
news dealer, whom we will call
Janowitch, who has a little shop not
far from Washington Square. For
some reason, perhaps because Jano-
witch is a Jew and a Radical and the
policeman on the beat is an Irish
Roman Catholic, Janowitch was con-
stantly being annoyed by the police-
man. At first the policeman did no
more than scowl at him in an
irritating way and refuse to answer
when Janowitch passed the time of
day with him. Then he began to
worry the shopkeeper by trying to
prevent him displaying his news-
papers on stands outside his shop,
on the ground that the stands inter-
fered with pedestrians and were
against the law.

But Janowitch has an uncle who
has a much bigger shop and a share
in a speak-easy and lives in another
election district two or three miles
to the north. So one Friday night
Janowitch travelled up town and
spoke to his uncle about the be-
haviour of the policeman, and the
uncle, who is a big man in the dis-
trict on account of the shop and the
speakeasy, spoke to his district cap-
tain, and the captain passed the
message on, and on Monday morn-
ing when Janowitch was laying out
the newspapers on the stands the
policeman passed, and saluted,
"Good morning, Mr. Janowitch."

Every sort of question and re-
quest imaginable is brought to the
district captain to deal with. The
most common naturally arise from
cases where people have become in-
volved with the law. Someone's
son, for instance, has been sentenced
to jail, or is under arrest and is in
danger of being convicted. It is
the business of the district captain
to take the necessary steps to see
that the sentence is suspended or
the case dismissed. Someone else
needs coal. The captain arranges
an informal subscription among the
less hard pressed members, and the
coal is provided.

An immense welfare work is
quietly carried on in this way. In
a time of extreme poverty and suf-
fering like the present, this agency,
like all others, has proved made-
quate to meet the demands for re-
lief, but even so the assistance that
Tammany has been able to give its
people during the depression has
materially strengthened its hold in
many districts.

Tammany and Big Business.

Although many wealthy and res-
pectable people declaim against
Tammany as though they would not
touch it with a barge-pole, the rela-
tions of Tammany with big business
are in general fairly good and oc-
casional intimate. If some of the
largest corporations hold ostenta-
tiously aloof, there are plenty of
New York fortunes which have been
built up largely on the basis of a
close co-operation with Tammany
Hall. The connection involves on
the one hand heavy contributions to
election funds and payments to in-
dividual members of the organisa-
tion for what is about to be receiv-
ed; it involves on the other hand a
readiness to refrain from too rig-
orous enforcement of laws and ordi-
nances annoying to the corporation
concerned, and to give such advan-
tages as are in the power of Tam-
many to bestow in the matter of
assessments on property, city con-
tracts, and valuable bits of advance
information as to the future status
and value of real estate and other
property in the city.

The Board of Standards and
Appeals has power to change the
status of any district of the city
from "residential" to "business".
Thereupon the value of property in
the district rises enormously. It
was revealed last year that one man
had been getting about \$300,000
(\$60,000) a year for "arranging"
changes of this kind. At about the
same time a judge was found to
have received \$250,000 from a
shipping company for arranging the
lease to the company of three of the
city piers. The handling of the
very valuable city contracts offers
similar opportunities.

Although the contrary is often
asserted it is not true that there is
a fixed tariff determining the
amount of money that must be paid
for protection from interference or
annoyance, or for permission to
break the law. As a rule, there is
a payment to be made before the
plan of a new building can be ap-
proved. On the other hand, a
powerful or potentially powerful
person might get his plan approved
merely in return for service render-
ed or about to be rendered. The
same applies to the completed build-
ing.

The percentage of graft that has
to be paid before the building is de-
clared in conformity with the build-
ing regulations, and hence fit for
use, varies widely. For instance,
when a church was being built
some years ago, the clergyman for
whom it was being built paid some-
thing like 10 per cent. of the total
cost in graft, but an experienced
New York architect gives it as his
opinion that so large a percentage

would never have had to be paid if
the church were not seriously con-
travening the building regulations.

The "Vice Squad."

It was the revelation of the pro-
ceedings of the so-called "vice
squad" (policemen nominally en-
gaged in suppression of the white slave
traffic) and of the mass of systema-
tic and wholesale corruption exist-
ing in the lower courts, where such
cases are tried, that finally brought
public indignation against the city
administration as conducted by
Tammany to a pitch at which con-
certed action was possible. It was
found that members of the vice
squad, aided and abetted by the
lower courts, had been making large
sums of money by blackmailing
prostitutes and women who were not
prostitutes alike.

If they paid they were released,
or subsequently acquitted. If not
they were sentenced, innocent and
guilty alike, to terms in the re-
formatory. When the women really
had broken the law in some way
—sometimes only by selling liquor—
the collection of blackmail was sim-
ple enough, unless the women hap-
pened to be backed by some power-
ful gangster or politician. In other
cases the vice squad followed the
time-honoured custom of detectives
and agents provocateurs, and creat-
ed the evidence by means of the
"frame up."

An advance man gets into the
woman's apartment on some pre-
text, takes off his coat, puts five or
10 dollars under a cushion, and the
waiting detectives, rushing in, find
the woman in a situation which
"proves" her to be a prostitute. One
woman, herself a prominent
white slave trafficker, who was
about to give evidence against the
vice squad, was strangled before she
could do so.

Unofficial Blackmail.

The police department is under
the control of Tammany, and the
magistrates concerned, like the
higher judges and magistrates, owe
their position largely to Tam-
many. But it is extremely im-
probable that this system of blackmail
was in any sense organised by or
carried on with the official approval
of the Tammany organisation as
such. It is probable that the situa-
tion in New York was an extreme
and horrible example of "the little
fellows getting away with murder."
The policemen almost certainly split
their profits with somebody, but
Tammany itself was involved only
inasmuch as the general laxity of
the administration permitted these
practices to go to such lengths with
such impunity.

It is the same laxity which has
at length perturbed a great many

of the business men of the city,
including some of those who have
had long connections with Tammany
Hall. On the one hand, they are
alarmed by the growing expenses of
the administration and the effects
on taxes and assessments. On the
other, they are frankly afraid that
if the present state of affairs is
allowed to continue New York will
lapse into the condition of Chicago,
which would, first, be bad publicity
for New York as a business centre,
and, secondly, would actually ham-
per the conduct of business by
throwing business even wider open
to the depredations of racketeers.

Already all over the city there
are racketeering gangs (sometimes
terming themselves "protective as-
sociations"), who do nothing but
exact regular tribute from shop-
keepers and other business men in
their respective districts. Beating,
bombing, or shooting is the penalty
for refusal to "support the associa-
tion."

In at least one district of New
York the racketeering gang of this
description which controls the terri-
tory has become so powerful that it
does not, so far as is known, even
pay protection money to the police
or to anyone else. A short time ago
a man, who owns a medium-sized
business on the waterfront rushed
in at 4 o'clock in the afternoon to
see his lawyer, a well-known man
with strong political connections.

The merchant had had a con-
trovery with the transport firm
that handled its merchandise and
had held up payment of a disputed
bill for \$3,000, allegedly due to the
transport firm. At 8 o'clock that
afternoon a well-dressed, quiet-
spoken man dropped into the mer-
chant's office and mentioned the
bill. "I suppose," he said, "you
want to see your children when you
go home to-night? Yes? Well,
then, I advise you to have that
\$3,000 delivered before 6 o'clock."

The lawyer advised the man to
pay. He remarked afterwards that
if he had not so advised him he felt
sure he would have read either of
the kidnapping of the man's chil-
dren or the shooting of the man
himself within a very few days.

The development of this sort of
situation in New York is not the
least of the factors that have lost
Tammany some of its support and
laid it open to the impending
inquiry.

COMING ???

SELF-MEDICATION
DANGERS."Remedy" Accelerates
Boy's Death.

"EXTRAORDINARY" CASE.

A case described as "extraordi-
nary" engaged the attention of the
coroner at a Stepney inquest on
James William Law, aged seven-
teen, a tailor's apprentice, of Robe-
son Street, Bow.

It was stated that Law had been
taking pastilles for catarrh. He
was being attended by a doctor for
a cold, and on Thursday evening he
collapsed and died. His doctor
stated that he had no idea that the
boy was taking the pastilles.

Dr. Temple Grey, pathologist of
Harley Street, who made a post-
mortem examination, said that Law
was suffering from a fatal condi-
tion of tuberculosis of the kidney.
No Similar Case.

The pastilles he had been tak-
ing were harmless for a normal
individual, and they contained
creosote and camphor, which were
insoluble in the stomach. The
boy had eaten fruit, and the
glucose in this had dissolved some
of the camphor and creosote and
taken it into the blood. This
could not be secreted owing to the
condition of the kidneys, and caused
an acute attack of poisoning,
from which he died. The cause
of death was tuberculosis of the
kidney, accelerated by self-medica-
tion.

Dr. Temple Grey said that there
was no record of a similar case.

"When patients are under doc-
tor's orders," he added, "they
should in no instance take any
medicine not prescribed by the
doctor."

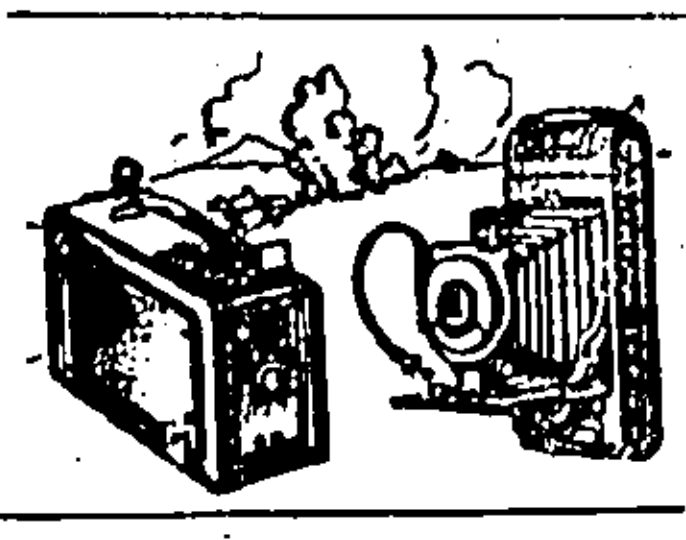
A verdict of "Accidental death"
was recorded.

While steady progress has been
observed throughout the Okana-
gan district of British Columbia,
it has been more marked during
the past year on the southern ir-
rigation area around Oliver and
Osoyoos where over 500 acres of
orchard and vegetable land has
been taken up by new settlers at
prices ranging from \$30 an acre
for raw land to \$750 for improv-
ed and bearing orchards. Approx-
imately 25,000 young fruit trees
have been planted. In addition,
about \$100,000 has been expended
during the year in building con-
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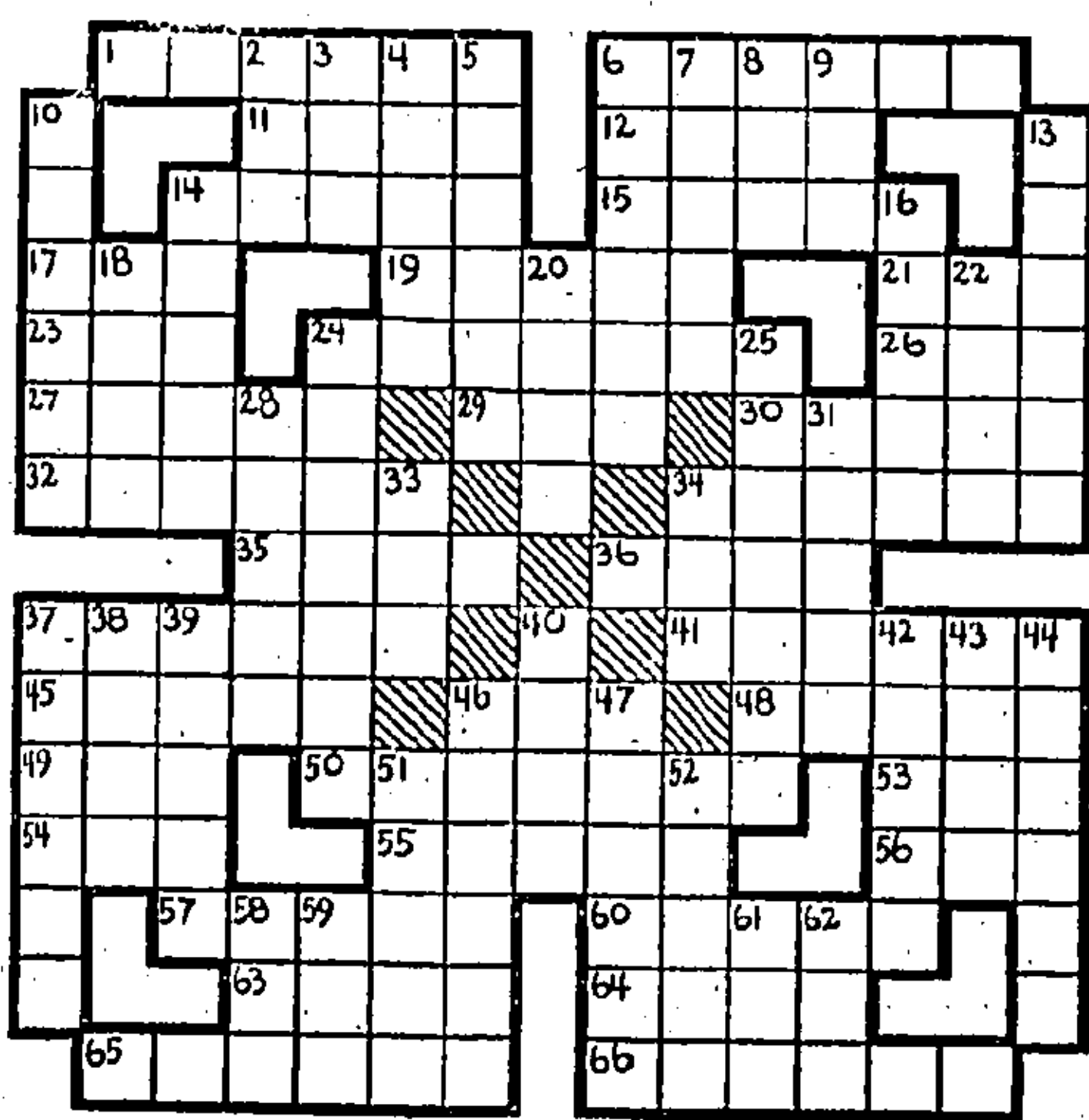
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but
our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic
spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



- HORIZONTAL**
1—Convalescent
6—Like better
11—River in N. France
12—City of Nevada
14—Taut
15—First president of
German Republic
17—Look
18—Cheapest part of
society
21—To strike gently
25—A sailor (colloq.)
26—Lifelily
28—Suffix, same as id
29—An item in one's
property
29—From dawn to dark
30—A fragment of made
from rose petals
32—Located maliciously
34—Taut
35—In a row (Post.)
38—Garden implement
39—A slave
40—A lesson
41—An ant
42—Interdict
43—Attempt
44—A falsehood
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
50—Runaway lovers
53—A title
54—River in N. France
55—To ally forth
56—Winglike part
57—Small streams
60—A score
63—To vex
64—A kind of chess
65—Exchanged
66—To make crimson
- VERTICAL**
2—Part of foot
3—A metal
4—Manufacturing city
in S. W. Prussia
5—Staggered
6—Beautiful
7—To resist authority
8—Point of compass
(abbr.)
9—By reason of
10—Positive
12—Drunkards
14—Brief
16—Common
18—Comfort
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
20—Peregrine
22—A Hebrew month
24—Repeat
25—Now Englanders
28—Ehance
31—Years between
twelve and twenty
33—Monetary unit of
U. S. and Canada
(abbr.)
34—Perched
37—Having a veil
38—A Mohammedan
priest
39—Stain
40—Completes
42—Test
43—To fasten
44—A despot
46—Managed
47—A gender
51—City in N. E. France
52—An English novelist
58—Boy's name
59—Cover
61—Youth
62—Long meter double
(abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in
to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

MUSIC • DRAMA • FILMS.

THEATRE'S BID FOR
FAVOUR.Opposition to Sunday
Opening Bill.
TALKIE COMPETITION.

The London Theatres are making a desperate bid for public favour in competition with the talkies. In the first place, there is now before the country the Government Bill providing for a modification of the Sunday opening regulations. It cuts the theatres and music halls clean out. Mr. Clynnes, the Home Secretary, was in favour of their inclusion but the bulk of the Cabinet, headed by Mr. Arthur Henderson, who is a Wesleyan lay preacher of very strong subterranean views, objected. Consequently Sunday opening is only now to be permitted on local veto lines to the following forms of diversion:

- musical entertainments;
- cinematograph entertainments;
- exhibitions of animals or of inanimate objects;
- debate.

Anomalies of the Bill.

The last named is a concession to the labour Party rank and file. They always hold political meetings on a Sunday, and to cover the expenses they are only now permitted to make a collection at the door. Under the Bill as it stands they will be able to sell a certain number of reserved seats, which will be a very much more businesslike proceeding. Nobody else wants political meetings on a Sunday, but evidently the Government thought that there was a chance of log-rolling for themselves in what is a non-party measure. The proposal with respect to the exhibition of animals takes in the Zoo and also presumably all museums, admission to which is really covered by the law as it stands. Musical entertainments embrace everything from a concert of the ordinary type to an oratorio. With regard to cinema performances, these really constitute the raison d'être for the bill. Although under the law they are now illegal, and any informer can intervene—which has not recently been the case—it is felt that their position is so anomalous that there is real need to regularise it. Hence the Bill, which is just now likely to meet with a violent controversy and which seems frankly to please nobody. All the Sabatarians are against it. All the theatres and music halls are against it on the ground that in logic and in justice they should be based on an equal footing with the cinemas. They claim that human production is as much entitled to consideration as mechanical production. Any number of people do not like the local veto idea in the bill. Thus under it you will have cinemas open in London and closed in Middlesex—as they are now. You will have cinemas open in Brighton and closed in Hove—as they are now. You will have them open in Liverpool and closed in Manchester. You will have in other words a perpetuation of the utterly stupid system which exists with respect to the hours of opening of public houses. Even now public houses on the north side of Oxford Street close at 10.30 and on the south side at 11. In Westminster, they close at 11, and in Chelsea at 10.30—here again you walk across the street at 10.30 to get a later drink at a public house which is open till 11. Anyway, the theatres have got a tough job to get into the bill and a very much doubt whether they will succeed. I am also more than doubtful whether the Bill will get through at all. In that case, everybody will go on law-breaking as they do now. Anyway it seems to be absurd that everybody can flock into the country on Sunday for golf, and other recreations—there were 50,000 cars an hour returning one Sunday to London in the south-western district—whereas the people who cannot afford to get into the country are obliged to walk about the streets. The Government Bill, it is true, permits all garages and refreshment places to remain open anywhere, and they employ thousands more people than ever the theatres could under any circumstances if asked to work on Sunday. Moreover, under the Bill the six

days working week is secured for everybody.

Theatres Showing Vitality.

Still the theatres are not relying upon Sunday opening for their prosperity. They are beginning to show real vitality. There are signs of a realisation that the old-fashioned type of piece is no longer a draw. There is wholesale experimentation. If a piece does not draw at once off it comes. Mr. Edgar Wallace has had five dramatic failures alone in the last few months but he has made plenty of money on his successes. The moment there is a flop in the box office receipts, he puts up the notices. Mr. Cochran does the same. His Cochran Revue 1931 is dead, after about three weeks of it. Yet there have been enormous successes. Mr. Oswald Stoll closed the Coliseum so far as music hall entertainment was concerned and reopened it for what is really glorified musical comedy, the particular production being "White Horse Inn" adapted from the German. It cost £10,000 to remodel the theatre and produce the piece, as it was given in Germany, and such was its success that the libraries at once took £50,000 worth of seats for the next three months. The play itself does not count, but there are remarkable scenes of stage illusion, which give a magnificent epitome of Tyrolean life. After the curtain fell the audience cheered everybody concerned for fifteen minutes. Those who come to London therefore cannot afford to miss this particular spectacular production—that is if they can get in.

New dramatists are coming to the front. Writing under the name of C. L. Anthony a girl who is a buyer of toys in Messrs. Heals' establishment in Tottenham Court Road has produced "Autumn Crocus" which is a sentimental comedy with a Tyrolean setting—in fact at least three if not four plays nowadays have to do with the Tyrol. Again it is a great success, but the dramatist is for the moment sticking to her job. Not a week passes without four to five new plays; if they draw at once they continue. If not, they are withdrawn without remorse. Miss Marie Tempest has produced a comedy entitled "Five Farthings" by A. R. Rawlinson, with a Riviera setting, in which she takes the part of a middle aged adventuress who has to keep a hold on a romantic son who has just returned from Africa. Miss Tempest is a great artist but I very much question whether she ever gets a play with paying qualities. Miss Agatha Christie, the novelist, is now apparently devoting her attention to the theatre. Her "Black Coffee" is a detective story of the normal type, but not outstanding, and I am just a little inclined to believe that the public are tired of detective stories. I even think they have had enough of Shaw. St. Joan has just been revived with Miss Sybil Thorndike in the chief part, but though she is a great actress I am not sure that she is the ideal Joan. On the other hand, some of the old standing pieces seem to continue to draw—among them are the Barretts of Wimpole Street, which I think is the best drama of its kind now in London, and Tantiy Towers, which has migrated from Hammersmith to the West End. The libretto is of course written by Herbert and all in verse, there being no spoken dialogue; it is a genial satire upon Bohemianism. The fact that it has had no imitations up to the present is an indication that there are not many people that can write this sort of play and least of all compose the music. As a matter of fact, there is the usual violent controversy with respect to British vs. American music. Allegations of "song plugging" fill the air. The B.B.C. is accused of lending itself to the song plugging of American products, yet when you come to analyse the charges, you find that the complaints are based upon the fact that the less important British composers are resentful that the B.B.C. does not plug their compositions instead of the American. They object apparently not to song plugging per se, but to the song plugging of the competitive article. Meantime the public gladly takes what it can get.

The only theatres which cannot make any headway are those in the provinces. These are being wired for talkies all over the place. Those theatres which are regarded as No. 1 for tourist company purposes manage to make both ends meet, but the No. 2 class do not make enough money to modernise their theatres, which therefore fall to attract the public. It was recently pointed out that in Bath for instance, which ought to be a good theatre-going district, a very fair company could only do £127 in a week. This is usually divided either on the 50-50 basis or on the 45-55 between the company and the owner of the theatre, and no one it will be seen will get fat on the proceeds. Most of the provincial theatres ought to be scrapped, but no

one has the money to do it and while, therefore, I am hopeful with regard to the future of the theatre in the West End I feel more apprehension with regard to provincial theatres.

Still the fight is very keen, and the talkies no longer have their own way. If it did not cost so much to run a theatre, than I think this form of entertainment would have a better outlook than it has. Perhaps we may come to popularise drama on cheap mass lines.

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Two famous artists, a singer and a pianist, were recently confronted with gramophone records of their work made twenty-four years ago. Mr. Peter Dawson pulled a comical face when he heard his 1907 self singing "Asleep in the Deep" to the accompaniment of a buzzing needle. Mr. Mark Hambourg sighed deeply when he listened to his

1907 version of Moszkowski's etude in G flat.

Both artists brightened when gramophone records made last year of the same music were played.

The occasion was a luncheon at the Savoy Hotel, where the chairman and officials of the Gramophone Company entertained Mr. Peter Dawson and Mr. Mark Hambourg before they set out on their Australian tour.

"I was an ironworker in Australia until I was twenty years of age, and took a master plumber's certificate at the School of Mines in Adelaide," said Mr. Dawson.

A Raw Australian.

"A year or two later I came to England, a raw Australian, and took cheap rooms at Kensington. I bought a morning suit, a top hat, and brown boots. Dressed in these, I went off to see Sir Charles Santley. He played for me while I sang. He was a terrible pianist!"

"Yes, my boy, you have a very good voice, but you are a rough diamond," he said.

"Santley obtained me my first touring engagement, in the west of England, with Mme. Albani's concert party."

Mr. Mark Hambourg spoke of the Gramophone Company's historic piano which they used years ago for recording purposes.

"For years this unfortunate piano got worse and worse," he said, "but

ACTRESS BURNED TO
DEATH.Costume in Flames in
Dressing-Room.

Mrs. May Mann, aged twenty-one, of Harrison Road, Leicester, has died in hospital from extensive burns received at a fire at the Nottingham Empire.

Mrs. Mann and Mrs. Kathleen Dorrie, aged twenty-one, of Nottingham, were appearing in "Carnival Time."

They were in their dressing-room between the shows at 8.45 when Mrs. Mann's costume suddenly burst in flames.

Mrs. Dorrie went to her assistance and was helped by Miss Hilary White, another member of the company. All three received burns. Mrs. Dorrie is still detained in hospital.

Their screams had attracted attendants, who extinguished the flames with buckets of water before the arrival of the fire brigade. Few people knew anything about the fire and no part of the building was damaged.

the remarkable thing about it was that the worse the piano became the more the recorded sound improved!"

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		1931.	1918.	1914.	1931.	1918.	1914.
		Cts.	Cts.	Cts.	Cts.	Cts.	Cts.
Butcher Meat.							
Beef Sirloin	牛尾肉	lb.	38	24	12		
" Prime Cut	牛尾肉	lb.	30	23	11		
" Corned	咸肉	牛尾肉	lb.	23	12		
" Roast	牛尾肉	lb.	33	24	22		
" Breast	牛尾肉	lb.	30	20	18		
" Soup	牛尾肉	lb.	27	20	18		
" Steak	牛尾肉	lb.	33	24	22		
" Steak Sirloin	牛尾肉	lb.	46	30	35		
" Sausages	牛尾肉	lb.	36	23	20		
Buck's Brains	牛尾肉	lb.	17	10	12		
" Tongue, fresh	牛尾肉	lb.	46	30	35		
" Tongue, corned	牛尾肉	lb.	60	—	—		
" Head	牛尾肉	lb.	\$1.20	—	\$1.20		
" Heart	牛尾肉	lb.	24	18	14		
" Hump, Salt	牛尾肉	lb.	—	20	18		
" Feet	牛尾肉	lb.	12	10	12		
" Kidneys	牛尾肉	lb.	16	10	12		
" Tail	牛尾肉	lb.	27	20	22		
" Liver	牛尾肉	lb.	24	18	14		
" Tripe	牛尾肉	lb.	8	6	7		
Calves Head & Feet	牛仔頭	set	\$1.50	\$1.00	\$1.00		
Mutton Chop	羊排	lb.	44	26	—		
" Leg	羊排	lb.	44	26	—		
" Shoulder	羊排	lb.	40	24	—		
" Saddle	羊排	lb.	44	—	—		
Pig's Chittlings	猪排	lb.	30	27	—		
" Brains	猪排	Per set	3	—	—		
" Feet	猪排	lb.	18	15	—		
" Fry	猪排	lb.	28	15	18		
" Head	猪排	lb.	18	20	—		
" Heart	猪排	each	15	10	10		
" Kidneys	猪排	lb.	15	10	3		
" Liver	猪排	lb.	48	30	24		
Pork Chop	猪排	lb.	36	25	23		
" Leg	猪排	lb.	37	—	—		
" Loin	猪排	lb.	42	60	70		
" Fat or Lard	猪排	lb.	26	21	—		
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊頭	Per set	12	8	7		
" Heart	羊頭	each	15	12	10		
" Kidneys	羊頭	lb.	45	20	25		
" Liver	羊頭	lb.	25	25	22		
Sucking Pigs, to order	猪仔	lb.	20	20	18		
Suet, Beef	牛牛油	lb.	38	26	26		
" Mutton	羊牛油	lb.	22	20	20		
Veal	牛牛油	lb.	28	—	—		
" Sausages	牛牛油	lb.	32	—	—		
No. 1.							
Fish.							
Barbel	魚	lb.	46	16	24		
Bream	魚	lb.	28	20	16		
Canton Fresh Water	魚	lb.	28	—	—		
Carp	魚	lb.	28	13	16		
Catfish	魚	lb.	34	16	27		
Codfish	魚	lb.	32	12	9		
Crabs	魚	lb.	40	16	17		
Cuttle Fish	魚	lb.	22	23	26		
Dab	魚	lb.	26	16	27		
Dace	魚	lb.	40	23	16		
Dog Fish	魚	lb.	20	10	—		
Eels, Conger	魚	lb.	30	10	8		
" Fresh Water	魚	lb.	32	16	—		
" Yellow	魚	lb.	38	10	8		
Frogs	魚	lb.	64	26	30		
Garoupa	魚	lb.	72	32	25		
Gudgeon	魚	lb.	20	40	30		
Herrings	魚	lb.	28	22	18		
Halibut	魚	lb.	50	13	23		
Labrus	魚	lb.	32	18	15		
Loach	魚	lb.	65	32	13		
Loach	魚	lb.	62	62	24		
Lobsters	魚	lb.	32	32	21		
Mackerel	魚	lb.	38	20	20		
Monk Fish	魚	lb.	32	13	2		
Mullet	魚	lb.	35	12	2		
Oysters	魚	lb.	22	14	9		
Parrot Fish	魚	lb.	20	30	15		
Perch	魚	lb.	36	16	9		
Pike	魚	lb.	38	36	29		
Plaice	魚	lb.	48	36	30		
Pomfret, White	魚	lb.	38	36	45		
Pomfret, Black	魚	lb.	70	10	14		
Prawns	魚	lb.	20	10	14		
Ray	魚	lb.	20	13	18		
Rock Fish	魚	lb.	30	22	10		
Roach	魚	lb.	40	36	30		
Salmon	魚	lb.	20	8	10		
Shark	魚	lb.	20	10	10		
Skate	魚	lb.	52	32	30		
Shrimps	魚	lb.	42	28	28		
Snapper	魚	lb.	32	22	28		
Soles	魚	lb.	30	26	85		
Tench	魚	lb.	30	12	—		
Turbot	魚	lb.	30	12	—		
Turbot, small, fr. wharf	魚	lb.	30	12	—		
Poultry.							
Chicken	雞	lb.	60	30	31		
Capon, Small	雞	lb.	58	28	30		
Capon, Large	雞	lb.	62	28	30		
Duck	鴨	lb.	45	22	21		
Doves	鴿	each	45	22	21		
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	雞蛋	per doz.	33	18	—		
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	雞蛋	per doz.	40	25	20		
Fowls, Canton	雞	lb.	68	30	34		
Fowls, Hainan	雞	lb.	66	35	24		
Geese	鴨	lb.	45	24	24		
Pigeons, Canton	鴿	each	40	30	—		
" Holchow	鴿	each	35	28	—		
Turkeys, Cock	火雞	lb.	75	—	—		
Turkeys, Hen	火雞	lb.	60	61	45		
Ships	鴨	each	30	—	—		
Pheasant	鴨	pair	3.50	—	—		
Quail	鴨	each	45	—	—		
Partridges	鴨	each	—	—	—		
Fruits.							
Almonds	杏仁	lb.	85	35	—		
Apples (California)	金山蘋果	lb.	34	26	—		
Bananas (bride's)	蕉	lb.	7	4	—		
Carambola	楊桃	each	13	10	10		
Coconuts	椰子	each	13	10	10		
Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	28	25	30		
Lemons (American)	金山檸檬	each	13	8	—		
Lichest, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	90	25	30		
Oranges (Canton)	新會甜橙	lb.	30	—	—		
Oranges	橙	lb.	55	—	15		
Pears (Canton)	梨	lb.	36	—	—		
Peanuts	花生	lb.	14	10	12		
Persimmons, Large	紅柿	lb.	6	8	—		
Plantain	大蕉	each	20	12	6		
Pumelo, Siam	暹羅柚	lb.	32	—	16		
Walnuts	胡桃	lb.	90	—	—		
Grapes	葡萄	lb.	—	—	—		
Vegetables, &c.							
Artichokes	竹筴	each	12	—	2		
Beans, Sprout	芽菜	lb.	5	—	7		
" Long	豆	lb.	28	—	8		
Beet Root	紅菜頭	lb.	10	—	—		
Bitter Squash	苦瓜	lb.	10	21	—		
Brijnals, Green	青瓜	lb.	6	5	3		
" Red	紅瓜	lb.	6	5	3		
Cabbage, Chinese	白菜	lb.	10	—	—		
(Shanghai)	上海白菜	lb.	14	12	—		
Cane Shoots, bunch	筍	each	8	—	—		
Cauliflower (Large)	大花椰菜	each	—	—	—		
(Medium)	中花椰菜	each	—	—	—		
(Small)	小花椰菜	each	—	—	—		
Carrots	金筍	lb.	6	5	6		
Celery, Chinese	廣東芹菜	lb.	16	10	6		
Chillies, Dried	乾辣椒	lb.	14	25	5		
" Red	紅辣椒	lb.	12	10	10		
" Green	青辣椒	lb.	8	8	12		
Curry Stuff, English	英國咖喱	lb.	10	8	—		
Cucumbers	黃瓜	lb.	6	2	—		
Garlic	蒜頭	lb.	8	6	6		
Ginger, Young	子薑	lb.	10	7	—		
" Old	老薑	lb.	8	20	—		
Horse-radish, Shanghai	上海馬蹄	lb.	40	8	4		
Indian Corn	粟米	lb.	9	45	—		
Lettuce	生菜	lb.	6	1	—		
Water Chestnuts	荸薺	lb.	9	—	8		
" Mandarin	桂林馬蹄	lb.	12	—	8		
Mushrooms, Fresh	鮮蘑菇	lb.	55	—	8		
Okroes	秋葵	lb.	—	1	10		
Onions, Bombay	洋蔥	lb.	10	8	8		
" Green	生蔥	lb.	6	4	6		
" Shanghai	上海蔥	lb.	8	6	—		
Parsley	芹	lb.	15	60	8		
Potato, Sweet	番薯	lb.	5	3	—		
" Japanese	日本薯	lb.	4	3	—		
" American	金山薯	lb.	—	3	—		
Pumpkin	金瓜	lb.	4	4	4		
Radish	紅蘿蔔	lb.	5	—	—		
Rhubarb (Fresh)	大芥蘭	lb.	18	—	—		
Shallots	小蔥	lb.	4	—	—		
Spinach	茼蒿	lb.	5	7	—		
Tomatoes	番茄	lb.	8	6	—		
Taro	芋頭	lb.	8	4	—		
Turnip	西洋菜	lb.	10	16	—		
Water Lily Root	蓮藕	lb.	4	16	—		

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STORIES OF "TIM'S" WIT.

Memories of Great Days in the Commons.

TWO MILESTONES.

It is a long stride from shorthand clerk at a pound a week in Newcastle-in-Tyne to the Governor-Generalship of the Irish Free State. Forty-seven years separated these two milestones in the career of Timothy Michael Healy, one of the most brilliant of modern Irishmen, famous alike as fighter and wit.

Into those forty-seven years "Tim" Healy—for no one ever called him anything else—crowded a life packed with incident. He was a Munsterman, and was born at Bantry Bay in 1855. He came to England at eighteen to earn his living, and for some time was a clerk and shorthand writer on the North-Eastern Railway. In 1878 he came to London to write a weekly letter for the Dublin "Nation," and two years later found him fighting the battle of Irish independence as M.P. for Wexford. A little later he became one of Parnell's secretaries, and accompanied him and Dillon on the tour to America which had such far-reaching results.

In Prison.

Two years after he entered Parliament a public speech in Dublin earned him, in default of finding bail for an intimidating speech, a sentence of six months' imprisonment, but he was released when two-thirds of the sentence had been served. He came back to Parliament reinforced by his experiences and a harder fighter than ever. In the meantime he had been reading law, and in 1884 he was called to the English Bar in 1903, and became K.C. In 1910. He continued to represent various Irish constituencies at Westminster till 1918, when he confined his energies to working behind the scenes.

During the thirty-eight years he sat in Parliament he became famous as a debater and as a master of irony and invective, tempered by a happy wit.

The stories told about him would fill a volume. On one occasion when he was canvassing an elector told him he would rather vote for the devil. "And in case your friend does not go to the poll," said Tim instantly, "may I count on your vote?"

One day in the Commons, when Irish finance was being debated, he attacked the Government on its broken promises. "I want to know," he cried, "when the Treasury Minister is going to strike the rock!"

Mordant Wit.

His mordant wit did not even spare members of his own party. He once said of John Dillon that "the Nationalist Party only keep him to attend funerals," and of another that "the man's such a liar it's not safe to believe the opposite of what he says." On one occasion he and Professor Kettle, father of the more famous Tom Kettle, who came to such a tragic end, arrived simultaneously on a village green to address rival meetings. There was scarcely room for both; so they tossed, and Tim won.

He began a rollicking speech with the words, "Gentlemen, the Kettle has lost its spout," and held the gathering till the end.

CORNWALL SCARE.

London, May 6.

During a circus performance at Helston, Cornwall, four lions escaped from an iron-barred enclosure in a tent and glided out through the entrance so quietly and quickly that many in the audience did not realise

BIRD FORCES PILOT TO LAND.

Park Keepers Surprised to Find Him Unhurt.

A bird striking the propeller of an aeroplane 5,000 feet over London compelled Pilot Officer John Baxter to make a forced landing on a cricket pitch at Southwark Park.

The machine crashed and overturned when the pilot cleverly manoeuvred it to avoid striking two park keepers, who were astonished to find him not only not dead but unhurt.

The pilot said cheerily: "O.K. Help me out."

Pilot Officer Baxter, who was upside down, strapped in the cockpit, when released, described his experience.

"I was flying at 100 miles per hour," he said, "and had plunged into some clouds, when a dark shape appeared in front. It grew bigger as it rushed towards me. The subsequent jolt and terrific vibrations told me that a bird had struck the propeller."

"I switched off the engine and the propeller stopped, otherwise the engine would have dropped in the heart of London."

"When I emerged from the clouds and searched for landing turf visible for miles, and, coming place, I sighted the only patch of down there, dodged the trees then the park keepers."

EGYPTIAN UNREST.

WILL THE BRITISH INTERVENE?

Cairo, May 2.

The tension arising from Friday's clashes between the police and Wafdists is still on the increase, leading on Saturday to a demonstration by inmates of harems, led by prominent suffragettes, including the wife of the ex-Premier Mahmud Pasha. The feminine demonstrators invaded the courtyard of the Ministry of Interior, shouting, "Down with Sidky Pasha, Down with the elections." By order of Sidky Pasha the gates of the courtyard were closed and the crowd arrested. Other arrests were made at the central railway station, where thirty-one Wafdists attempted to board a train for Tanta. All persons entering the station must now submit to a searching inquiry. The garrison is being kept in a continuous state of alarm, in anticipation of further disturbances.

Cairo, May 4.

British intervention is hourly expected in an effort to allay the growing tension, which has received an added impetus from the Beni-Suef clashes, the casualties in which are officially given as four dead and forty injured. The ex-Premier, Nahas Pasha, and his companions, who were arrested at Giza, have been released after an extensive cross-examination. Martial law has been proclaimed at Cairo and the troops and police are being kept in a state of emergency throughout Egypt. The postponement of the General Elections is anticipated.

what had happened. One lion jumped on the back of a tethered pony so lightly that it did not injure it, then leapt over a lakeside seat in the park where a woman was sitting and remained in the lake until the owner of the circus later lassoed it. The others entered sheds, where they were promptly secured.

Most of the audience left the circus to watch the chase.

THEFT FROM TAIKOO DOCKYARD.

Ruling on Stealing and Receiving.

JAIL FOR CULPRIT.

To-day, Li Sam (39) was charged before Mr. W. Schofield with the larceny of a quantity of lead pipe, the property of the Taikoo Dockyard. Accused pleaded guilty, and stated that he picked the metal up from a rubbish heap.

Mr. G. T. Bird, watchman, said that they had been missing a lot of lead piping from one of the ships at present in dock, and special men were put on to keep a watch. Accused was seen in the slipway carrying the lead under his arm.

The Magistrate remarked that it looked to him that a better charge would have been one of receiving.

Inspector G. A. Stimson (prosecuting) replied that he had been thinking of that all along, but Mr. R. E. Lindsell (a former Magistrate) had held that if a man was found in the dockyard or coming out of the dockyard with any property that belonged to the dockyard, that person must have stolen the article from the yard. Therefore the only charge would be one of larceny. He (Insp. Stimson) had always held that if a person was actually seen in the act of stealing then could a charge of larceny be brought against the person.

Inspector Stimson added that 24 feet of lead pipe had been reported stolen within the last two weeks.

Accused, who had a previous conviction, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

AFTER 29 YEARS.

REARREST OF DEVIL'S ISLAND CONVICT.

Twenty-nine years ago Louis Langard deserted from his regiment. Three years later he killed a man in a brawl and was sent to Devil's Island. In 1910, however, after two unsuccessful attempts, he escaped.

He became a mechanic in Dutch Guiana, married a Dutch girl, and to-day has a beautiful daughter of 18 and is an owner of property. He was made good.

Longing to see his native land again, Langard embarked for France. He landed at Havre and after being questioned by the authorities was detained as the deserter of 29 years ago. His escape from Devil's Island was then revealed.

Langard, when convicted of murder, was sentenced to eight years' hard labour and banishment for life, and it is probable that he will be sent again to Devil's Island, if not to complete his term of hard labour, to end his life as a resident of Cayenne, as enforced by the banishment order.

The Toronto Industrial Commission announces that the J. P. Seeburg Corporation of Chicago, manufacturers of automatic musical instruments, have incorporated a Canadian company, J. P. Seeburg Corporation Ltd., to manufacture their products in Toronto. V. E. Taylor will be in charge of their Canadian operations.

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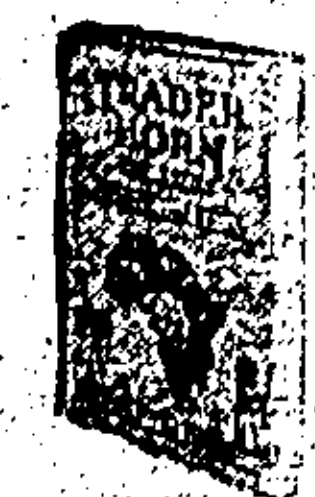
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